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Local CIO Shops Begin Voluntary Collections To Pay For Publicity

Funds Being Sought To Counteract Propaganda In Daily Papers By A Group "The Committee To Save Toledo's Payrolls"

Voluntary collections to counteract the propaganda by a so called "The Committee to Save Toledo's Payrolls," will be instituted in all CIO shops in Toledo, it was announced by Charles Ballard who appointed members to the finance committee for voluntary collections.

He reported that some Units of the CIO have begun to pass a can for voluntary collections and the response is favorable with $600 contributed last week.

Members Of Committee

Named to the Finance Committee which will handle the funds collected to pay for radio time to answer the Toledo Committee are Mr. Seren, chairman; William Weston, chairman of Bingham Stamping Unit; Al Kengott, chairman of Champion Spark Plug Unit; Felix Szymanski, chairman of Plaskon Unit; Lewis Mattox, chairman of Acklin Stamping Unit; Homer Avery, chairman of Willys-Overland Unit; John Begg, chairman of Auto Lite Unit; William Borden, chairman of Swartzbaugh Unit; Clarence Tucker, chairman of Mather Spring Unit; Zig Lapinski, chairman of Air-Way Unit and Roy McGinnis, chairman of National Supply Unit.

Will Include AFL-MESA

Mr. Seren said that additional cans for voluntary collections are being prepared and plans being made to have the cans passed among shops affiliated with the AFL, MESA and others.

The Toledo Committee, through the daily papers, is striving to tell workers and the public that the regional pension plan will wreck Toledo. The Toledo Industrial Union Council, CIO, central body of all CIO shops in northwestern Ohio, is answering that propaganda with full page advertisements in the Blade in order to reach the public.

Where Were They

The CIO has asked the Toledo Committee where they have been in past years to plan for more employment and to encourage industries to locate here. Several months ago, Richard Gosser, asked the Labor-Management Committee and the Chamber of Commerce to meet and map a program to ease the unemployment situation.

Full Page in Blade

The CIO is publishing a full page of information with facts in this issue of the Union Journal (page 2) and a similar full page in the Toledo Blade to appear in the Friday edition.

In the advertisement the CIO is asking, "What is the ral purpose of this Committee? This: Cheap Labor, Wage Cuts, No Pensions . . .

The CIO goes on to say that their plan (referring to The Committee To Save Toledo's Payrolls) will not succeed. The people will get their pensions.

It adds that such a plan,

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29 Local 12 Units Approve Pension And Medical Plan

Groups Vote To Have Voluntary Collections To Combat Anti-Labor Publicity In Toledo

Twenty-nine shops of Local 12 UAW-CIO gave their answer to "The Committee To Save Toledo's Payrolls" by voting approval of the UAW area pension plan and to have voluntary collections to combat anti-labor publicity emanating from the salvation committee. The Toledo Committee has inserted advertisements in the Toledo daily papers that the area pension plan will "wreck Toledo."

Plan Explained

The pension plan was explained in the shops followed by approval of the program by the unit membership.

Howard Seren, president of Local 12 said the other Units of the Local have scheduled meetings to vote on the area pension plan authored by Richard Gosser, International UAW-CIO Vice President after months of study.

Publish Answers

Since the Toledo Committee has been issuing statements against the pension plan the Toledo Industrial Union Council, CIO has published answers to the Toledo Committee statements. One of the answers appears on page two in this issue of the Union Journal.

Here are the Units which have conducted voting to date on the pension plan and to have voluntary collections in their plants to raise funds for publicity:

Acklin, Airway, Associated Products, Auto Lite, Ayling & Reichert, Bingham Stamping, E. W. Bliss Foundry, Buckeye Paint, Butcher & Hart, Champion Spark Plug, G. E. Conkey, DeVilbiss.

Form Steel Products, International Harvester, National Supply, Plaskon, Toledo Pressed Steel, Spicer, Tol. Standard Commutator, Surface Combustion, Swartzbaugh.

Tillotson Carburetor, Tol. Metal Furniture, Tol. Porcelain Enamel, Tol. Steel Tube, Tol. Wire Products, Victor Screw Machine Co., Watson Mfg. and Willys-Overland.

ULC Prominent In Large Vote

Spirited Campaign Conducted By Group

Over 93,000 voted at the City Election on Tuesday and the United Labor Committee, representing all segments of labor played a prominent part in getting out the large vote which was beyond all predictions of radio comentators, newspapers and political figures in general.

What reward labor will reap from the large vote will be more or less determined by the time this paper is placed in your mail box.

Worked Untiringly

It is a general conclusion that union shop executive committeemen, department stewards and active union members worked hard to get out a heavy vote to place high on the voting list all labor candidates and in particular Franz Berlacher who was endorsed and supported by the ULC.

Union officials discounted statements that the large vote was the result of the mild weather. Officials pointed to the spirited campaign this year and in the last election a large segment of labor voters to the polls.

It Paid Off

In the last election it paid off in the election of Tom Burke to Congress and this year's election is hoped to be a repeat performance by electing Berlacher and other labor candidates supported by the ULC and CIO Unit officials.

In the municipal election the ULC did not take any definite stand on amendments or on municipal selections.

The campaign and the get-out the vote drive was centered on the councilmanic election. What are the results? Well, this weekend will tell the story.

They Help Camp Fund

LOCAL 12 UAW-CIO SUMMER CAMP FOR BOYS & GIRLS
PLEASE
Deposit Your
SALES TAX STAMPS
in this Box
The Proceeds of Same for the Benefit
of LOCAL 12 Summer CAMP

The youngsters above who attend the free movies each Saturday morning at Local 12 Hall have responded to an appeal to save Ohio Sales Tax Stamps. The stamps are redeemed with proceeds going to the Local 12 Summer Camp fund. Front row left to right are Calvin Coleman who deposited in the container 429 stamps, Stanley Hausner, 516 stamps, Carl Kuhnle, 540, Robert Johnson, 315 and Bobby Ries, holding his prize, a sailboat for having the most stamps, 1,020. Back row left to right are Billie Johnson who had 205 stamps, Shirley Kosmider, chairman of the youngsters committee in charge of the Tax Stamp collection drive and at right Marion Strzesinski, secretary of the committee. Stamp collection boxes are located in the dues office at Local 12 and in many of the CIO shops in Toledo.

Champion Unit Answers Smear Letter In Times

Al Kenngott, chairman of Champion Spark Plug Unit of Local 12 UAW-CIO is answering through the Union Journal a letter which was published in the Toledo Times editorial section as a letter to the editor. The letter appeared minus personal names being signed as "A Group of Champion Spark Plug Employees."

Kenngot said the members take exception to that letter since it is solely intended as a smear to individuals and union leadership who are duly elected by the union members.

He said that the letter as it was printed is definitely a misrepresentation and undoubtedly, to attempt to confuse the membership.

The Unit chairman along with the Unit executive board have drafted an answer to one or maybe a few disgruntled persons on behalf of the membership. It answers all the points in the letter appearing in the Times on November 8, 1949.

Full text of Champion letter in answer:

THE ANSWER TO A GROUP OF CHAMPION EMPLOYEES

In answer to the article printed in the Nov. 8th issue of the Toledo Times, "Union Members Have Something To Say," it is true that the Champion Spark Plug Workers at a regular Union meeting with a qorum, voted **overwhelmingly** to support the regional pension plan. So why the doubt as to just what is what?

There cannot be a question as to whether Richard Gosser is one of the founders of the pension plan as proposed, and that he did answer all the questions pertaining to the plan to the best of his ability.

On the subject of profanity and vulgarity that Mr. Gosser was accused of, Hell, was the strongest word used.

In reference to the term "so-called leaders in the union" the author or authors of "Union Members Have Something To Say" can run for the office if they care to. (Or wasn't the real author a member of the Union?)

No one was asked to write to the Toledo Blade for an answer to their question, but were told to let the Toledo Blade know that the Pension Plan as proposed did not go far enough. The Toledo Blade is opposed to the plan because it is to far reaching, area wide. Quite a few of the people, from the questions asked, convinced all present that they thought the plan didn't go far enough in it's scope or benefits.

The inference that any member that might care to stop at Mr. Gosser's office after the meeting to get an answer to their lengthy question, that, quote "perhaps a crack on the head would have been what they would of received" unquote, is as unfounded as any insinuation could be. The author couldn't be an active member of the Champion Spark Plug Unit or they would know that it has never happened in the history of the Unit. (How about basing statements on facts?)

Here's another quote "We of th Champion want a pension plan. But, we want a plan which will give direct benefit and help to ourselves or our survivors by fully sharing in each $.10 per hour that is put in reserve for us. Not a plan where we will realize nothing, as we have that now." Who are the authors of this letter, insurance experts, that they know in advance that this plan will get them the type of pension they now have, none?

Nobody said that the area pension plan was supposed to be the result of three years of study by top union officials, insurance and bank authorities.

Do the author or authors of this letter condemn the leaders for settling with the Ford Motor of our union in the International Co. and not striking? A Company as large as the Ford Motor Co. doesn't need to be a part of an area plan to make the plan work, but, for the protection of all workers they probably should in the near future.

The answer to the question, QUOTE "Under the area pension are the dimes of the younger employees to be used to pay pensions to persons eligible, but whose place of employment might have gone out of business?" Unquote, is a simple one. Under good Christian principles I am firmly convinced that it could be worked out and the pot would not be empty for the selfish few. If you had a pension plan at the Plant level, what assurance would you have that the Company wouldn't go out of business and not be able to pay off? Life is like that isn't it? A constant gamble.

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Toledo Trainmen Back Pension Plan

Right On The Job

One of the hardest workers in the City Election Tuesday was Mrs. Franz Berlacher, wife of Franz Berlacher, candidate for Council. Mrs. Berlacher, the former Therese Domalski, of a well known bakery family in the 14th Ward, worked in her former home precinct on Junction and Belmont Aves. Mrs. Berlacher took time out to look at the cameraman while passing out a Berlacher for Council card to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Schultz on their way to vote. The future voter on the bicycle is son Timothy Schultz, four years old. Young Paul Schultz, two years old, decided to hide back of the candidate's wife just before the camera was snapped. (Union Journal Photo) . .

AN EDITORIAL

They Won't Get Away With It . . .

WE IN Toledo are getting a demonstration of newspaper irresponsibility that all the rest of America should see.

Here is a large industrial city—a city whose welfare and prosperity depend on good labor-management relations—being told by the newspaper monopoly that bargaining must be carried on its columns.

Throwing sensitive and delicate matters into the general public arena without discussion or without any opportunity for exchange of ideas between the concerned companies and the union is dangerous and nonsensical.

The newspaper monopoly has virtually commanded Toledo industry to refuse to bargain. It is trying to push local business back into a corner—to a point where any company is guilty of traitorous conduct toward other business if he reaches a peaceful agreement with the union.

This is sheer suicidal insanity.

There is no rational or reasonable explanation of the conduct of Mr. Paul Block, Jr. We must therefore conclude that there must be irrational and irresponsible reasons for Mr. Block's attempted creation of a Frankenstein monster. If Mr. Block would give his reasons to the public, which he has not done, he would stand exposed as unworthy of the direction of a part of America's free press.

Toledo workers know that Richard Gosser has not changed. Yet, only a short time ago, Mr. Block called him "friend." For what strange reasons the Blade and the Times have now launched savage and intemperate attacks on Mr. Gosser, we can only guess.

One good guess might be Mr. Block's aspirations to control the political life of Toledo. This he cannot do while he is opposed by a united and democratic labor movement to which Dick Gosser helps give leadership. Mr. Block's political aspirations for his comrade, Senator Taft, take second place only to those ambitions he has for himself.

This is a good time for the newspapers' owner to try to destroy the unity of labor for politics, but it is a criminally bad time to provoke economic strife which will tear down the industrial structure of Toledo.

This "Committee to Save Toledo's Payrolls" is, of course, Mr. Block's own personal creation—a phony vehicle through which he can vent his malice and carry out his ambition to be the political Feuhrer of our city. To regard this "salvation" committee as a genuinely concerned group is a foolish mistake. It is run by a high-priced professional "public relations" hot-shot, who provides much of the drivel which is passed off for "news" in the columns of the two newspapers. The "salvation" outfit is strictly artificial—strictly synthetic.

Toledo's organized workers will refuse to be sacrificed on the altar of Mr. Block's ambition and vindictiveness. If he succeeds in his mission to deceive and mislead local industrialists, the working men and women of Toledo will have no alternative but to defend themselves. They have shown in the past, and will show again that they are willing and able to do so.

It would indeed be a sad day for our city and our country if one man and his two printed rags could defeat the thousands of citizens of our city who work for a living.

Mr. Block's attempt to work mischief will not succeed.

Say They Stand United With Richard Gosser

Show Disagreement On Charge That Plan Will Give Toledo Black Eye

The Association of Toledo Traimen and Auxiliary Lodges at their last regular meeting voted approval of the UAW area pension plan. In a letter to the Union Journal signed by Tom Griffith, chairman of the Association, he wrote, "We in the Association do not believe that striving to bring security to the aged will give Toledo a "black eye" or cause any industry to leave town. On the contrary, we think that if the aged workers of Toledo could get a bit more security that the UAW is asking for, it would make Toledo a better town to live in.

United With Gosser

In answer to attacks on Richard Gosser, International UAW-CIO Vice President the letter said, "We in the Association wish to tell the committee (The Committee To Save Toledo's Payrolls) that we stand united with Dick Gosser and his UAW and we will call upon the rest of Labor in Toledo to join hands and beat back this dastardly attempt to split Toledo Labor, for only thru united cooperative effort can labor enforce equitable collective bargaining and achieve the necessary economic and social programs.

Pension Not Issue

In the letter Mr. Griffith accuses the Toledo Committee's intention is not related to pension or welfare issues, but merely using the false issue of pension funds for their smoke screen to keep the real thing concealed from the citizens of Toledo. He adds that the Toledo Committee have taken on a battle to stop and crush Gosser as well as the well organized UAW which is rapidly becoming a decisive factor in the Political and Economic life of Toledo."

Following is full text of letter:

Dears Sirs:

The Association of Toledo Trainmen and Auxiliary Lodges at their last regular meeting voted unanimously that I should write a letter to the Toledo Blade and Toledo Times, copy to the Toledo Union Journal, telling of our discussion in connection with the Committee to Save Toledo's Payrolls, pronouncements and public advertising.

We talked about the Publisher of the Toledo Blade's name being among those of the "Committee" and we didn't like it. We saw other names there that lead us to believe that this committee's intention is not related to penson or welfare issues, but merely using the false issue of pension funds as their smoke screen to keep the real thing concealed from the citizens of Toledo. We figure this influential group have raised their sights beyond their immediate economic interest and taken on a battle to stop Dick Gosser and crush his well organized U-A-W local unions, which are rapidly becoming a decisive factor in the Political and Economic life of Toledo, into weak and helpless individual company locals that must do their bargaining on their own instead of an area basis.

We in the Association do not believe that striving to bring security to the aged will give Toledo a "black eye" or cause any industry to leave town. On the contrary, we think that if the aged workers of Toledo could get a bit more security than the U-A-W is asking for, it would make Toledo a better town to live in.

We in the Association wish to tell the Committee that we stand united with Dick Gosser and his U-A-W and we call upon the rest of Labor in Toledo to join hands and beat back this dastardly attempt to split Toledo Labor—for only thru united cooperative effort can labor enforce equitable collective bargaining and achieve the necessary economic and social programs.

Yours truly,
T. C. Grifith,
Chairman

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Mr. Gosser will speak on "Pensions for the People of Toledo."

CIO Praised On Chest Drive

Many Groups Exceed Quota In Campaign

Members of CIO locals were credited with raising a substantial share of the $975,-270 reported at the last meeting of Greater Toledo Community Chest campaign workers, Monday evening in the Commodore Perry Hotel.

Since the Chest fell short of its goal of $1,08,779, which was the figure set as the absolute minimum needed to support the 42 Red Feather health and welfare services during 1950, William Akos, chairman of CIO solicitation, urges all CIO members who have not yet contributed to assist the Chest by making their pledges within the next few days.

CIO Group Praised

Campaign leaders praised the workers for "over-the-top" reports from many CIO groups in important Toledo industries. Among those who had exceeded their campaign quotas before final reports were made were employees of DeVilbiss Co., 119.8 per cent; Plaskon division of L. O. F., 104 per cent; Libbey - Owens - Ford Glass Co. plants, 142 per cent; Unitcast Corp., 127.5 per cent; Toledo Scales, 10 per cent; Surface Combustion, 119 per cent; Ransom and Randolph, 106.4 per cent; Spicer Mfg. Co., 120.6 per cent and Schultz Die Casting Co., 127 per cent.

Textileather Cited

At the Monday evening report meeting, special mention was made of the outstanding job done by employees of Textileather Corp., who reported attainment of 140.4 per cent of their goal, with an average gift of $9.40 for each employee there.

According to William Akos, other employee groups, whose reports were incomplete, expected to go "over the top" this week.

Local 12 Plans Xmas Party

Volunteers Meeting To Be Held Friday

Plans for the annual Christmas Party for children will be discussed after the regular Local 12 monthly meeting tonight, (Nov. 11) it was announced by Howard Seren, Local 12 President.

The Party is a yearly event for all children of Local 12 members, he said.

Any member wishing to volunteer is welcome to serve on the committee, Mr. Seren said. He added, that it is a tremendous job planning the party and it will take a sizeable group to make it function properly.

The Local 12 meeting which will be held in Parlor A at Local 12 will begin at 8 p. m.

$6 Raise At Safeway

WASHINGTON (LPA) — On the eve of a strike deadline, 500 employees of Safeway stores here won a $6 weekly raise and improved overtime and vacation benefits. The workers covered by the new contract belong to the warehouse branch of the Int'l Brotherhood of Teamsters-AFL.

CIO Bounces Commies

CLEVELAND (LPA) — Machinery was in motion as the CIO convention adjourned Nov. 4 to rid the organization of all its pro-Communist affiliates and win back the membership of the unions with Communist leadership. The convention itself ousted United Electrical Workers and set up a new union for the electrical, radio and machine industry. It also changed the constitution to allow the executive board to disaffiliate unions which fail to follow CIO policy.

"Beware of Greeks Bearing Gifts!"

It is an ancient proverb — and a sound one — that when people who customarily care nothing for you; people who are generally opposed to your views and ideas begin to express "concern" over your welfare . . . well, when that happens . . . remember the story of the Greeks who came bearing gifts and look out for treachery and betrayal.

That is the situation today in Toledo.

The Big Shots of Toledo — Bankers, Industrialists and Wealthy Newspaper Publishers — are out to "save Toledo's payrolls" . . . to bring new industries and more jobs into Toledo . . . to "maintain genuine collective bargaining" in our city.

"Never look a gift horse in the mouth," another ancient proverb tells us. And that may very well apply to people of good intentions.

It most certainly does not apply to "The Committee to Save Toledo's Payrolls." That is why we shall not only look into the mouth of this "gift horse," but we shall dissect it and expose every part of it to all the people of Toledo so that they may see and judge for themselves the real purpose of this group.

"*Save Toledo's Payrolls . . .*" — Who but the Organized Labor Movement, and their democratically elected representatives have been fighting consistently and without let-up to assure proper wages for our working people? In every wage fight . . . in every attempt of our Unions to gain benefits for their membership, the leaders of this "grab-bag" Committee have been in bitter opposition. *They don't want to "Save Payrolls"* — they want to *"Cut Payrolls"* in the *interests of Bigger and Better Profits for THEMSELVES.*

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"Bring New Industries . . . More Jobs to Toledo . . ." — With all due respect to the exceptions — the Glass, Die Casting and Oil Industries, for example — some of the leading members of this "Salvation Committee" have been directly responsible for moving THOUSANDS OF JOBS OUT OF TOLEDO. Why? NOT BECAUSE THEY WERE LOSING MONEY IN THEIR TOLEDO OPERATIONS, BUT SIMPLY BECAUSE THEY COULD GRAB MORE PROFITS FOR THEMSELVES THROUGH THE EMPLOYMENT OF CHEAP LABOR OUTSIDE OF TOLEDO.

"Maintain Genuine Collective Bargaining . . ." — This is shocking hypocrisy. Where were these "righteous and honorable" gentlemen when Organized Labor was fighting so determinedly against the vicious Taft-Hartley Law? A law that was devised by the National Association of Manufacturers by the U. S. Chamber of Commerce and supported by every employer, every banker, every wealthy newspaper publisher in this land of ours? How can they now come before the people of Toledo and say that they believe in "genuine collective bargaining"?

On September 10, 1949, The Steel Industry Board

made its report to President Truman wherein it recommended Pensions and Social Security Benefits for the steel workers to be financed by the employers. We quote from this report:

"Social insurance and pensions should be considered a part of normal business costs to take care of temporary and permanent depreciation in the human 'machine,' in much the same way as provision is made for depreciation and insurance of plant and machinery. This obligation should be among the first charges on revenue."

That's it, folks. Industrialists PROVIDE FOR THE "REPAIR AND RETIREMENT" OF A LATHE, A DRILL PRESS, EVEN A MONKEY WRENCH . . . BUT THEY ARE OPPOSED TO PROVIDING FOR THE WORKER . . . the "HUMAN MACHINE."

What Is The Real Purpose Of This Committee? This: Cheap Labor, Wage Cuts, No Pensions . . .

Stick to the truth, gentlemen, even if it hurts . . .

A "memo" to the members of the "Salvation Committee":

1. Gentlemen, YOU KNOW that the UAW-CIO Pension and Social Security Program was developed by EXPERTS in this field and that it was adopted by 2,500 delegates at the last UAW-CIO International Convention.

2. Gentlemen, YOU KNOW that NLRB elections have NOTHING TO DO WITH THIS FUND. Once this FUND IS ESTABLISHED it will continue to be in effect REGARDLESS WHAT UNION MAY COME INTO A PLANT COVERED BY THIS PROGRAM.

3. Gentlemen, YOU KNOW that AS LONG AS A WORKER IS EMPLOYED IN A PLANT COVERED BY THIS PLAN HE WILL BE ENTITLED TO ALL BENEFITS WHETHER HE REMAINS A MEMBER OF THE UAW-CIO OR NOT.

Finally, a word about our "leaders and policies." May we suggest that you mind your own business. Our people are fully capable of choosing their own leaders and working out their own policies without any advice from you.

But despite their wealth and affluence . . . the shedding of floods of crocodile tears . . . the din and thunder of false and malicious propaganda, THEIR PLAN WILL NOT SUCCEED.

The People of Toledo will WIN. THEY WILL GET THEIR PENSIONS.

They will GET PENSIONS because THIS IS THEIR PROGRAM . . . because THEY KNOW THAT SUCH A PROGRAM WILL BENEFIT THEM; THEIR FAMILIES — YOUNG AND OLD ALIKE.

They KNOW that this PROGRAM WILL:

One: — Enable our AGED workers to retire in DIGNITY and SECURITY at 65 or later if they wish to continue working. Yes, THIS PROGRAM will mean a PENSION OF AT LEAST ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS PER MONTH TO OUR PEOPLE. Don't they deserve that much after a lifetime of hard work?

Two: — Protect those unfortunate workers who become victims of industrial or other accidents. Today, when a worker becomes disabled and is unable to continue working, he becomes a severe burden on his family . . . or a public charge. Is it too much to assure DIGNITY and SECURITY to these unfortunate people?

Three: — Protect our workers and their families in case of illness by providing them with funds to secure for themselves the necessary hospital, medical and surgical care. And, in event of death, the Program will pay a modest death benefit. Is it too much to lend a helping hand to those who suffer through the misfortunes of life?

Will This Bankrupt Our Industries in Toledo?
Will This Mean Increased Unemployment For Us?

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The Insurance experts of the UAW-CIO estimate that a program such as this shall cost the employer *TEN CENTS PER HOUR FOR EACH WORKER.*

Who would be so foolish as to claim that such an increase will "Wreck Toledo"?

Even the members of this "Salvation Committee" know this. But they know something else, too. *They KNOW that THIS PLAN MIGHT CUT INTO THEIR PROFITS, AND THAT THEY DON'T WANT.*

What about UNEMPLOYMENT?

Under the Ford Pension Plan, which was negotiated by the UAW-CIO., approximately 5,245 workers will be retired during 1950. That simply means that 5,245 young workers will be added to the Ford payroll. In other words . . . 5,245 NEW JOBS in one year.

With the UAW-CIO Pension Plan in operation in Toledo the same thing would happen. Yes, thousands of YOUNG WORKERS would TAKE THE PLACE OF OUR ELDER FOLKS WHO COULD RETIRE AND LIVE IN PEACE AND DIGNITY . . . WITHOUT FEAR OF BECOMING BURDENS ON THEIR FAMILIES OR BE REDUCED TO PUBLIC CHARGES.

Such a Plan would help balance our Economy.

Such a Plan would mean MORE JOBS FOR OUR PEOPLE.

Such a Plan will mean HAPPINESS and greater SECURITY for our people.

That is why we shall FIGHT ON UNTIL WE HAVE WON. To do anything else . . . to give up this fight would be selling our people down the river. And that we will never do.

TOLEDO INDUSTRIAL UNION COUNCIL, CIO

Sparklets—Champion Unit

Ralph H. Young, Sec'y

ENGLISH BORGLIN, D, 1st Shift

The happiest guy in department D on Oct. 20th was little Johnnie Weber. You see his wife gave birth to a baby girl on the day before, at Riverside Hospital. She weighed 6 pounds and 5 ounces, almost as much as her father. Congratulations Johnnie.

Eleanor Kujawa celebrated her birthday on Oct. 19th. I don't now her age but she was passing out chocolate cake to her fellow workers on the assembly line, don't forget your reporter next year, Eleanor.

Margaret Wasserman is sporting a diamond ring, so I suppose she will be making arrangements in the near future.

Helen Mehle was wearing a very attractive blouse a couple of weeks ago. It was a print with musical notes and bars and treble cleft. Ask her what the title was.

We are glad to see Frank Mills, gap-setter, back to work again, he was confined to his home with quinsy throat.

Mabel Fischer is at home ill and her husband Cleland is not able to gap set owing to a sore left arm, but he is doing miscellaneous work and glad that he is able to take home the "bacon."

Celia Ryan birthdayed on Oct. 28th and she received some nice gifts. She must be a V.I.P. because a special delivery man brought a package with a lovely corsage in it and it was signed "A Friend."

Ray Roshong wishes to thank the blood donor who gave blood to his mother.

Cora Johnson, inspector on line No. 4, was entertaining some friends at her home 2 weeks ago and Cora left the party momentarily to go to the bedroom, and was very much surprised to see an uninvited guest ransacking the room. As she screamed the thief took off with her purse and $75.

Caroline Dressler was very much embarrassed last week, when the zipper on her skirt jammed open. I would venture to say that half of Dept. D rushed over to help her get it fixed.

Well good bye, "see" you next week.

COLONEL TARVER
E, 1st Shift

This week, Lilly Seger, of the siliment lines, celebrated her birthday. She is 21 plus. Her friends gave an informal party for her during the noon hour. She received gifts and congratulations.

Thursday, Oct. 27th, was a red-letter day for the special brands section. This group had an interesting pre-Halloween celebration in the form of a surprise party. Lots of good eats, too.

Mildred Grove, a silliment machine operator, had a birthday, Sat., Oct. 22nd. She still looks young and lovely so why should she decline to tell how old she is? Congratulations "Millie," we hope you enjoy many more.

When a pretty girl like Helen Lumbrezer nonchalantly engages in the practice of giving away expensive chocolates you may be sure she is celebrating some event of deep personal significance to her. She claimed it was her 16th birthday but she looks all of 18. Congratulations, Helen.

CORRECTION: Inadvertantly the word MORALE became MORALS in the final draft of a quotation appearing in print. The sentence should have read: "it is obvious that you are trying to give your readers a lift in their MORALE."

SPECIAL WELFARE NOTICE
E, 1st Shift

Will the fellows in E refrain from using harsh language around little, frail Herbert "Limpy" Jennings. The vibrations from such talk may hurt his leg. Thanks, fellows.

DEPT. D
1st Shift

Sweet little Alice, inspector on line No. 13, celebrated her birthday during October, with lovely gifts from some of her friends, also a card from her husband and was she proud?

DEPT. H
1st Shift

The fellows in H are happy again since their chief Willard Miller is back to work and must be feeling fine again as the first thing he said to the Steward when reporting for work was that he did not have enough room to change his clothes. Nice to have you back again, Willard.

George Cunningham is partitioning H off so Clem Jones can't spread out any further than he is now. Better hurry, George. Nice project, it will better the department also.

DEPT. E
1st Shift

Mr. Elliott, of E, now knows two things: soy beans and he has made a complete study of a Woman's Book. Naturally, he will be able to answer any questions asked about the above subjects.

DEPT. H IN D
1st Shift

We understand that John Carr had a little trouble with his "educated" mule during the last week-end. He put anti-freeze in his car and tried to do the same for the mule. Does any one know what is good for a "hang-over" with a kick like a mule? (Don't take us seriously, friends.

ROBERT SMITH
E, 2nd Shift

Well! Well Well! So you finally got those spots before your eyes? Eh, Steve? Say, we just found out why all the fellas from E have long faces and asking if measles are catching. Even Ed Mielczarek is laughing, yet crying, as he says Steven Lawniczak is such a close friend and oh! so close. You know, Steve, if the measles are really catching the whole darn shop, on the 2nd shift, will have them, because your very close friend, Eddie, has been all over the shop laughing and telling them how you thought if you shaved the spots would disappear. Woe is me, too, Steve. Seriously, Steve we are all pulling for you. Hurry home, here at the shop, to your Pension Plan buddies, we're lonesome.

(If we had the pension plan in effect now, Steve would be getting paid for his lost time and the doctor wouldn't have to worry about his pay either. RHY)

Clarence Pollex, one of our Set-up men, has come up very suddenly with a new twist in using long snooted pliers, he uses them to remove undesirable fish from his fish hooks.

JIM VISON
D, 2nd Shift

Some folks can think of the oddest things to do on a week-end. For instance Wilmet Pape and Katherine Eckhart's visit to the secluded cemeteries. In search no doubt, for inspiration from their long buried ancestors or as Mr. Longfellow invited in "Hiawatha": Pause by some neglected graveyard for a while to muse and ponder on a half effaced inscription" or to feel with Thomas Gray: "Perhaps in this neglected spot is laid some heart once pregnant with celestial fire."

Stella Radabaugh reveals that she is to be married on Tahnksgiving Day to a fine young man. On hearing this we made the less than bright remark: "This guy certainly knows his turkey." Stella, who can be very clever corrected: "You mean his old hen." Had I thought of the latter I should have refrained from saying it.

Colonel Tarver, you were dead right about my daily rite of "burning" the toast. I never fail, but for a reason entirely different from what you suppose. I got the idea from the Old Testament Scriptures. Therein you will find many refernces to God's people worshipping Him with sacrifice of burnt offerings. How I worship my family! As to the dishes, few songs ever touched my heart like the parody on "Pack Up Your Troubles"—It goes like this:

Stack up the dishes on the
pantry shelf,
And smile, boys, smile.

Who found a gold ring-shaped ear-ring for pierced ears? Leona Hopkins will be deeply thankful for the return of it by the finder.

The following story is going the rounds about a certain gap-setter, genial Jim (that's what we call him) who had a case on a garage owner's daughter but was not making much headway. So Jim drove down to see her old man one day and handed him an H10 and asked him if he would not put in a "plug" for him. I can't vouch for the truth of the story.

Isabelle Tafelski, who is the soul of neatness and who is attractive in any apparel she dons, has a new coat. It is very becoming to her and I assure her that by no stretch of the imagination can it be likened to a horseblanket.

No, folks, you're wrong! Champion has not installed a portable lighthouse. That object you have noted moving around shedding those bright rays was Eddie Blum in that new, loud shirt.

Seen at the Credit Union banquet:

Bernice Keller, Irene McLaughlin and Leona Hopkins dining with Kenneth and Mrs. Ostrander. Also noted, were these same ladies dancing with the Federal investigators. Hear that the gentlemen purchased their refreshments and that they had a "high" time.

UNION OFFICE
1st Shift

Sorry to hear that John McCarthy of L is in the hospital.

You'll get along allright there, John, since your wife is a nurse. John is in Mercy hospital.

We hope that Florence Vogelbach, also in L, is having a nice trip to Europe. She went there to visit her son's grave. Smooth sailing, Florence.

Prizes At Labor Rally

Pictured are prizes which were awarded as door prizes at the Labor Rally sponsored by the United Labor Committee last Monday night. Winners of the prizes were: Walter Lewandowski, Anti-Freeze; David Frank, Gallon of Paint; Ruth Rodger, clock; Jim Dawson, thermos jug; Eleanor Dederman, coffee pot; Tony Eckert, popcorn popper; Hazel Daley also a popcorn popper; J. Chapman, field glasses; Robert Parrish, mantle lamp; B. McCllelan, hunting shirt; Mrs. Robert Seger, tea set; Andy Piotrowicz, lantern; Ballard O'Donnell, motor saw; John Bankowski, alarm clock; Howard Seren, electric roaster; Clem Holewinski also an electric roaster; R. N. Robie, fan; Dick Todd, foot stool; Helen Szymanski, waffle iron; Netha Weston, sandwich grill; Hazel Coleman, a Coleman gas heater; Helen Serafin, Coleman gas heater; Elouise Brown, set of dishes; Arland Krueger, portable ice box; Gory Leather, jacket; R. McCllelan, iron; Lillian Nowaczyk, spray gun; C. Zarecki, heater; Sixto Candelario, sander; Cora Schmith, clock; Augusta Weber, mirror; Charles Ballard, cocktail set; Bart Dederman, set of silverware; L. F. Marcley, lesson on Fly Casting from Marion Garber, National Champion; Bill Meyers and Earl Champion, both winning a card table apiece.

National Supply Unit News

By DEAK and DOCK

ATTENTION MR. VALK! your foremen are losing all their ego and personality by wearing those old and ragged blue coats. Why don't you get some 1950 models, I hear they're fur-lined and have National Supply in blue Neon Lights.

THE BEST TIME TO PUT anti freeze in your radiator is when Clarence Fisher of Dept. 54 dons his red flannels over his turtle neck sweater. For full particulars, watch the locker room mornings and evenings from now on.

TOOL JOINT SONG OF THE month, tune of Mr. Gallagher and Mr. Sheen. Title; Feast or Famine. Oh' Mr. Sullivan, A year ago you made a beautiful speech. You promised us seven days per week, but now we're on the down beat. Oh, Mr. Sullivan, When do we eat.

NOTICE THERE WILL BE A special meeting held at Local 12, Saturday Nov. 12 to have the Pension Plan explained. All members who hold seniority in the Plant, be present.

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AFTER FIVE YEARS OF continued running, they're finally taking time out to clean and scrub the Warner and Swasey machines in Dept. 52, getting ready for another grand rush.

REMEMBER THE SLOGAN during the war, "Everything for the boys." Well, let's make a new slogan, "Pensions for the laboring man." Fifty per cent of your working class are ex-servicemen.

UNCLE REMUS SAYS, MONEY stinks I just happen to like the smell.

A MAN BECOMES A LIVE wire because of his connections. Here's hoping the N. S. Co. makes a few connections to keep the Tool Joint Dept. running.

DEAK & DOCK; DON'T LET McVicker pull the wool over your eyes when he says, "he's so mad at Sullivan! A short time ago Red gave Sullivan a good hunting dog! We wonder how mad McVicker'll have to get at Bob Valk before he gives Valk a hunting dog? Is that the reason you've been seen so often visiting Mr. Valk in his office all by yourself, Red?

THE BOY'S IN DEPT. 54 CAN now understand how the old chain Dept. went bankrupt.

WHO IS THE LITTLE MAN who takes tickets at the Avalon? Better get a stool to stand on so we can see you shorty.

IF HARRIS Mc INTOSH & Co. would take the money they are spending to save Toledo Payroll and put it in a pension fund, they would have a darn good start. The Blade and Times doesn't print full page ads for peanuts.

WELL FELLOWS, SAID Dutch Drear when he entered the main dining room, here's my version of Sammy Greco's misplaced persons. Displaced that is, interupted one of the fellows, on that sand orchard of Sammy's, they were misplaced and it didn't take them long to see the only crop could be raised were the non-profitable sand burrs, so they moved elsewhere.

WHY IS IT? THAT OVER A glass of beer you can hear Bob Lorenze discussing the Co. and union affairs much to his dissatisfaction, yet you see him in the office on bended knees asking for a job.

IT SEEMS THAT EVERY time we have an important negotiation, there's a certain few who can't see eye to eye with the union. Now we have one, Buss Rhoads with loads of ambition, passed around and got signatures on a special meeting (which will be Nov. 12.) While Buss was congratulating himself on the fine job he did some one hung a blue coat on him.

WE NOW HAVE A NEW type of pipe thread, although it is not yet complete, we feel it has it's possibilities; the catch, to make a pipe to fit it. The difficult part is to make a pipe so the large end will screw into the fitting. For further details ask Cab Calloway, an ex-foreman.

AT LAST THE CO. FOUND suitable jobs for Mr. Clewer, Mr. Sloan and Mr. Allemeir, they make excellent guides for school children.

BOB (SECOND TIME Grandpa) Carson, Dept. 52. had a big smile for eyeryone (what, no cigars.) The reason, he now has a grandson, arrived Sunday Nov. 6th.

HAVE YOU NOTICED those new two-tone pumpers in Dept. 52. We'll never know who's the brain storm this was, but Slicker Sullivan has high hopes that the new paint job will take the eyes of the buyer's wives.

THE WHEELS OF INDUSTRY have stopped for Dept. 52 and all that is left is two (pushers). If they are members of the Mistic Knights of the Sea. They will get put on a pension like Butch Bowers.

WE HEAR BILL O'BRIEN took his rabbit dog to Floyd McVickers farm to try it out. Leaving the dog in the car, they took to the field after walking a hundred feet, something whizzer by, Bill turning to Floyd said, "My what big rabbits you grow here." A slight error, Willie, here try my specks, that was your dog that just whizzed by.

ITS REPORTED THAT DON Drapper has regained consciousness and may be removed to Toledo in a few weeks.

Deak & Dock

Gett'In Hot With Everhot

Swartzbaugh Unit

by WILLIAM BORDEN

The Vulture's Club Dance was a big success last Saturday night. John Szegedi say's that everybody had a good time with everybody else's wife and girl friend's. Cleta was easily the most popular girl at the dance as most of the girl's will tell you.

Stanley Bogacki of the Westwood Plant passed away last Friday evening. We wish to express the Unit's deep felt sorrow at this time to Mrs. Bogacki.

Frank Hornyak of the Welding Department is selling Christmas cards. He has a nice selection and if anyone want's any, get in touch with Frank.

At a recent meeting, The Swartzbaugh Unit voted 93% in favor of a strike to back up their pension demands. This should prove to the company that the rank and file is serious about their demands for a pension.

This week we bring you Claude (Clancy) Applegate. Claude was born way back in 1888, so you guess his age. Claude lives at 742 Elysian Ave. Which is just outside the city limits. He was married in 1910 and is the proud father of three children, all of whom are now married. Claude say's about the only job's he has ever had at Swarsz. Are a shear man and his present job of running a press. His hobbies are to do a little fishing and drinking beer. As you can see by the nickname, Clancy, Slaude is Irish.

Most of the guys seem to be pretty peeved because the company won't grant them a leave of absence to go hunting. In past year's the company was pretty good about his but I guess this is their way of getting even with the Union this year.

The Swartzbaugh bowling team, led by Capt. John Rutkai, has started to climb in the Local 12 League. The Bee Gay Inn's and Butch had better watch their step. Get Ted Kelsey to tell you how he threw 21 strikes last Friday and still din't break 500.

At a recent election held by the second shift, Joe Bubacz was elected steward. Joe will make the boys a fine steward as he has a good union background.

You can tell whose son plays halfback for DeVilbiss when you look at Stanley Kwiatkowski's chest after they win a game. See you all next week.

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Andy and Leo are open for suggestions on how to make John W. pay his bet. Short memory John?

"Pigskin Chet" is so desperate about his football winnings, he has taken to communicating with spirits through the Quija Board. How you making out Chet?

The Bowling Team looked very good in their new shirts. We wonder if grooved alleys would help.

Al K. has been kidding George a lot about his hunting—"Old Sherlock" believes his hunting to be about up o par with the bowling average of "Crooner Kopinski."

On November 11 ,1915. A certain young couple were blessed with a little curly headed bundle. This little bundle grew up to be quite some bundle today, because at present He is employed by the Pressed Steel Co., and he still has his curls too. Happy birhday! Mr. Olin Griggs.

This really is a coincidence, but we have our Mrs. Dorothy Gerdes having a birthday on the same date, but of course we dare not reveal the year. My! aren't we getting old? But any way, orchids to both of them.

We wish to congratulate Mr. Joe Dukiewicz, on becoming a proud papa, but then again the sound of the storks flapping wings are being heard near another shop member's house. For further news, watch the following issues.

There is a certain young lady, who is always wondering if I am going to say something nice about her. "Gee! you're so nice, Louise."

The Committee wishes to report that the people by the ratio of "7 to 1" are in favor of a pension.

Commutator Gab

It looks as if we are getting some people interested in our column, as we have had a number of people complain that they have not been receiving the Union Journal.

Congratulations to Myrt and Mat on their 1st wedding anniversary and also to Eleanor and Lenny on their 2 nd anniversary.

Reports are that Eleanors father is getting better and to Ruth Coker a speedy recovery.

In the birthday department—its a happy and a lots more of them to—Viola, Ada, Irene and Emma. Don't worry girls we won't tell your age, but we know you are all one year closer to the pension age.

Al Miller said that he just knew he could never get that clock back together again, there were too many wheels and springs for such a small space. So it was beter to pay some on the new clock in the straightening dept. We think the two night watchmen should pay too (Jim & Arnold) its the only alarm clock in the shop.

Did you ever notice the smile on Larry Galvin every Monday morning? Don't worry Larry, you can tell them that they do teach a main subject at N. O. and the degree comes in pig skin instead of sheep skin.

Start thinking—! I wonder if after election we will work half as long and get twice as much, or work twice as long and get half as much. How did you vote?

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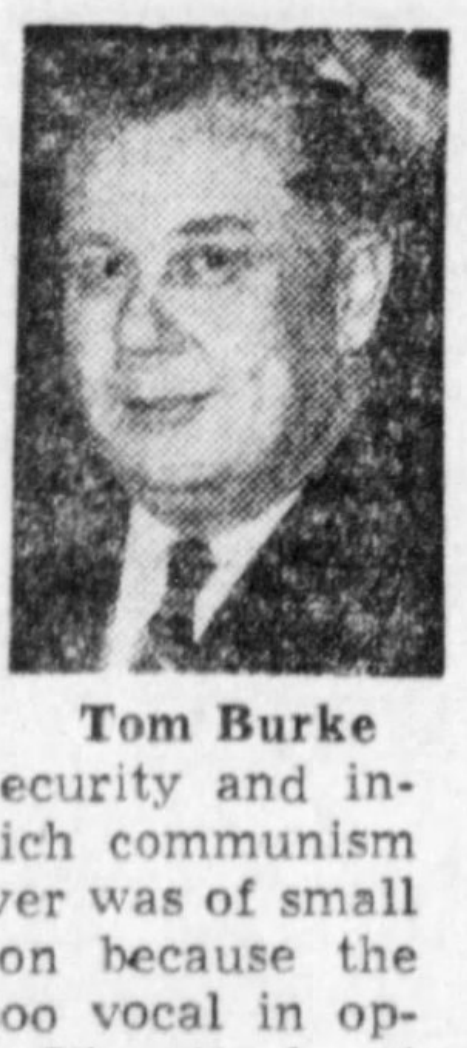
Time For Plain Talk

by TOM BURKE

WHEN I came home last Sunday night the first thing I heard was Pension Plan. It had been impossible for me to see any of the Toledo papers for about two weeks because I had been on Sub-committee hearings along the East Coast. However, knowing something of the nature of the plan to be proposed, I could predict with a fair degree of accuracy just where opposition would break out. No plan is ever worked out for proposal without a certain amount of calculated risk as to its acceptance.



Tom Burke

We knew that one facet of opposition would be the Communist Party. This was because the pension plan is designed as a body blow to insecurity and insecurity is the meat upon which communism thrives. This opposition however was of small consideration in the calculation because the Communist Party cannot be too vocal in opposing the desires of people. It's attack, at best, had to be a lateral attack of sabbotage through colatteral issues. The most this strategy would ever amount to therefore would be minor annoyance.

The most important point of opposition to be brought into the calculation consisted of the banks, financial houses, and insurance companies. Their opposition had to be evaluated and their methods predicted and appraised. In the first place they had to be considered as natural opposition because the area pool phase of the plan meant stepping on their toes competitively. In the second place their lines of attack had to be anticipated and strategy devised to have the answers for every one of these lines of attack.

Now the question arises: Why should the banks and insurance companies concern themselves directly in a matter of collective bargaining between industrial employers and employees? Where does the element of competition enter in? In the case of the insurance companies the element of competition comes in when the area or greographic pool becomes an element in the proposal to be considered by the employer and employee in collective bargaining.

The area pool is one of two alternatives open to the union and the company when they are bargaining for a pension, health, and accident plan. The employers in this area are mostly small employers in comparison with the big nation wide corporations. It would therefore be impossible for them to set up a retirement system and health and accident plan on their own because the range of risk experience could not be covered where a comparative small number of people are involved. This is known in insurance parlance as actuarial planning or the science of big numbers. This is the science by which insurance companies can predict with an amazing degree of accuracy how many people among any given number of thousands of people will die in any day, week, month or year in the near future.

The only alternative open, other than the area pool, is the commercial insurance policy. Most insurance companies already have annuity and retirement policies as well as health and accident. They do have an advantage of a wide range of risk experience. Why then does the Union propose the area pool instead? Simply this, an insurance company has many items of administrative costs such as sales forces and advertising that would not be necessary in an area pool plan. The administrative costs in commercial insurance amount to about 27%. It is estimated that the administrative costs of the area pool plan, administered by its participants, would amount to 5% to 7%. The Union feels that the 20% difference could be better used by applying it to greater benefits.

The banks also are intensely interested in the results of this proposal for a like reason. If the area pool is set up a considerable sum of money will be accumulated in the pool. Its investment will be imperative. What is more natural than the investment and loan potentials be available first to those firms who contribute to the fund? Their present new tooling and new model loans, and some other capital needs are furnished by the banks and financial houses. There is nothing wrong with this legally, morally, or any other way. There is also nothing wrong with somebody else going into the same business. That's what they tell us free enterprise means.

Of course I suppose that it is a natural human reaction to resent any apparent competition. If I were running a drug store, or grocery store and some one established a like business on the opposite corner I probably wouldn't like it. Especially if it looked as though my competitor had it on me in ability to serve the customers and was able to give them more for less and still make out even better than I did. Most everyone I think would feel that he was pretty much the ruler of the roost in his own field in his accustomed neighborhood. I have always found however that you cant meet competition by villifying or running down the reputation of your competitor. You have to meet or better his standards.

It is also impossible for you to meet competition by trying to scare the public to death with false issues. The idea that the payment of ten cents per hour additional on the wage bill will drive industries out of town is ridiculous on the face of it because no matter where they might go the industry would run into the same thing they would be running away from. Also the idea that one individual is such a power that industry would be forced to spend millions of dollars in new plant and moving costs running away from him is so farfetched that it is almost amusing. It's time that the inducers of hysteria get down to earth and find out just where their drumbeats of hysteria are leading them.

Dulles Tory Campaign Leads Way To Possible Realignment Of Parties

By NATHAN ROBERTSON

WASHINGTON (LPA)—Sen. John Foster Dulles and the Republicans, by making "the welfare state" the issue in his campaign for re-election in New York, have virtually accepted the label "conservative"—and thus moved toward a historic realignment of parties.

Dulles' Demorcratic opponent — former Gov. Herbert Lehman—has accepted the issue, and is campaigning for "the welfare state"—as the Republicans call the Truman program. Lehman has not been as forthright in accepting all of the Truman program as many liberals would like, but his campaign and his record are clearly liberal.

Thus we have, for the first time in many years, an important political campagin between candidates who are willing to accept the labels of liberal and conservative. If Dulles wins, the Republicans will use the same strategy in next year's Congressional elections and in the 1952 Presidential elections. They may, even if he loses.

This would do more than anything else now in sight to bring about the long desired political realignment into conservative and liberal parties—because it would tend to pull Democratic conservatives into the Republican party and Republican liberals into the Democratic party.

It would be hard for men like Senators Morse of Oregon, Aiken of Vermont, and Tobey of New Hampshire, for instance, to run with a party so openly standing for a conservative, standpat program. Already they are restive at the Republican emphasis on "the welfare state," because they recognize it for what it is—an admission that the Republicans are against the great public welfare measures advocated by the Democrats.

This is a sharp break with past Republican performance. Ever since the New Deal swept the country in 1933, the Republicans have pretended on election day to favor its objectives, but to oppose its methods. This has made it difficult for the Democrats to make the issues of the elections clear to the voters. They have succeeded in the Presidential elections—which the Republicans have now lost for 20 years—but they have not always succeeded in the Congressional and Senatorial elections.

But in the New York campaign Dulles has openly fought it out as a conservative. Not only has he attacked the Fair Deal program on the welfare state generalization; he has specifically opposed some of the key proposals in that program. Dulles, for instance, has opposed Federal aid to education, revision or repeal of the Taft-Hartley labor law, any Federal health program—even a voluntary program subsidized by the government—and the Brannan farm program.

As a result, there is the beginning of a party realignment in New York already. Most doctors, for instance, whether they are Republicans or Democrats by tradition, are lining up behind Dulles and against Lehman. They are actively working politically for Dulles and spending money to elect him to maintain the status quo in medicine. They are doing this even though Lehman has backed away from the Truman compulsory health insurance plan and is advocating only voluntary insurance—which even the American Medical Asosciation claims to favor.

On the other hand, organized labor—which is for compulsory national health insurance—is lining up solidly behind Lehman. The result of this election, therefore, is likely to provide the closest thing to a referendum we have had for years—not only on national health legislation but also on the broader phases of the Truman program.

Liberals have long dreamed of a realignment of parties which would throw all conservatives together in one party and all liberals together in another—confident that such a line-up would make political progress easier. The smarter conservatives have fought this kind of division, recognizing that it would be fatal. They have preferred to vote conservative between elections, but pose as efficient liberals during the election campaigns.

Although they have won many Congressional elections this way, they have not won a Presidential election for a generation. Some of the more hardshell Republicans have blamed these defeats on the "me too" policies of Landon, Willkie and Dewey. They have called for an outright conservative position for the Republican party.

Armistice Day 1949

By RUTH TAYLOR

"Here lie we dead because we did not choose
To shame the land from which we sprung.
Life is perhaps no great thing to lose,
But young men think it is,
And we are young."

THOSE of us who remember Armistice Day 1918 recall not merely the wild excitement with which the news was greeted, but even more, the deep sense of relief and the keen rapture at the thought of peace. We felt that not only this war but all wars were over.

But as the years came and went, we celebrated Armistice Day more and more solemnly, in the belated realization that that "Armistice" truly meant "the **temporary** cessation of hostilities." We wanted peace so much that we sought it by compromise and equivocation. We overlooked the fact that there is—there can be—no trace in the fight between right and wrong.

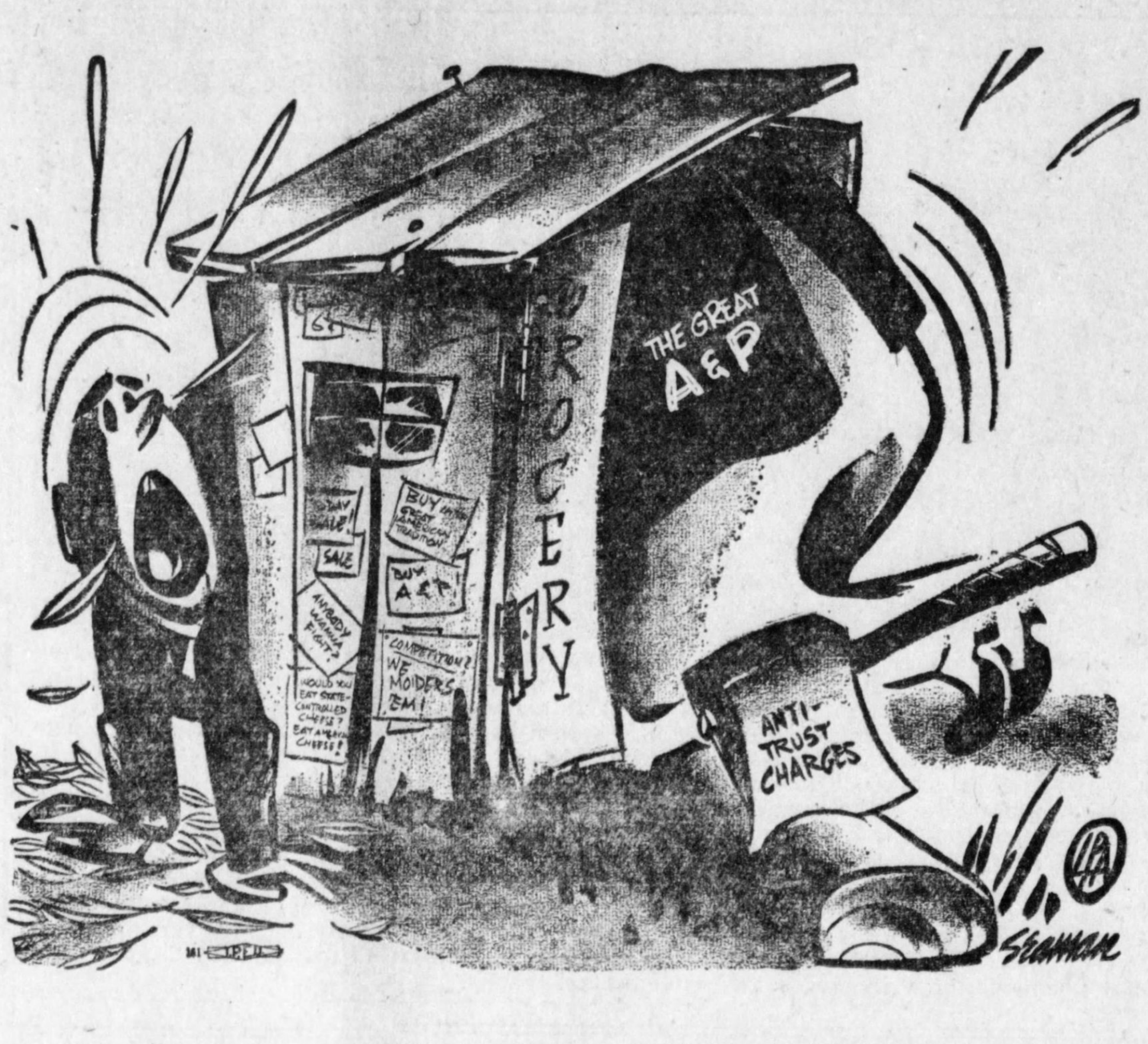
Ours should have been the task of bearing high the torch of liberty, of seeing that the light of freedom dispelled the darkness of oppression. We did not fulfill our appointed mission.

And so once again there were lads who died in their glory, and who would never be old. Differing in class, color or creed, their mangled, tangled remains lie in common graves, in land honored by the fact that there they died that others might be free.

We have been given one more chance. We are again facing an Armistice Day in a world where peace has been declared.

This time we must keep faith with those who have gone before. Tolerance, justice, equality, freedom, democracy—are not just words. They were ideals for which men—our husbands, sons, brothers—died. These honored dead must not be allowed to have given their lives in vain. We cannot again compromise with the principles for which they died. The promises we made must be fulfilled for all the people of all the earth, that those who come after us may live as free men, unafraid in a free world.

"Ain't nobody here but us FREE, ENTERPRISING AMERICANS!"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Union Paper Can Make, Break Politics

By BRADFORD CARTER
LPA Columnist

IF YOU'VE been reading this column in this paper, you long ago discovered something to which the daily papers are finally waking up. That is the fact that union members don't trust everything they read about labor, politics and economics in the commercial press—and are turning more and more to their own union publications for accurate and informative news.

The searching, day-to-day that results in the national news carried by labor papers and journals is a little too thorough for some of the "friends of labor" whose records when seen close up aren't so hot.

Sen. Ed. Johnson of Colorado, for instance, is boiling mad over the reports of his activities as a member of the Senate that are appearing back home in the state AFL-endorsed weekly, Colorado Labor Advocate.

"No self-respecting Senator," Johnson writes at white heat," will become the slave of the editorial staff of any publication." His ire is directed at the Colorado Labor Advocate's detailed inspection of the Senator's record in the months that the 81st Congress has been in session, and especially about an editorial telling him that his vote against Leland Olds' reappointment to the Federal Power Commission is "the last straw."

The Advocate, replying to Senator Johnson, goes right back to the original reports sent to them by Nathan Robertson of Labor Press Association in Washington. The paper is a member of the Association. And it's a damning record they recall—time after time, on crucial Fair Deal issues, Sen. Johnson has thrown his weight on the side of the tories. This he's done, on every issue except Taft-Hartley repeal, despite the fact that in 1948 organized labor in the state supported him loyally.

What happens in the Democratic primaries next year in the state of Colorado will be affected by the wide knowledge of Sen. Johnson's record as reported in the labor weekly read by thousands of key voters who belong to unions in the state.

One of the greatest independent liberal dailies in the country—the St. Louis Post Dispatch—pointed this up in an editorial in late October. The growth in stature and readership of the labor press is "something for the commercial press to gaze upon with wonder and some gratitude," said the editorial. There wouldn't be some 30,000,000 readers of labor periodicals, the paper pointed out, "if the commercial press gave full expression to the needs and opinions of millions of trade unionists."

In similar vein, the Christian Science Monitor, the Cleveland Plain Dealer, and the St. Paul Dispatch have recently played up the growth of the prestige of organized labor's press.

However, many an expert labor editor is still struggling under the handicaps that go with being independent and uncensored by the reactionaries. There just isn't enough money being spent by most trade unions on their periodicals. Partly, this is inevitable because very few national advertisers have the imagination and initiative to purchase advertising space in labor publications. And the publications that, for policy reasons, carry no advertising are competing with magazines and dailies that take in thousands of dollars a day for every page of advertising they print.

The greatly increased sums being voted by many far-sighted international unions for hiring professional newspaper men and women, and for making their papers read by every union member and his family (including the kids) is evidence that progress is being made.

The pay-off will come in 1950, when the issues of the national and local elections will be spread out for every union member to read, in his own publication. The size of the vote, and the degree of commitment to Fair Deal objectives that will be represented by the men elected, will be the true measure of the new stature of the labor press.

P A C *Pipeline*

The unhappiness among our admirals because there are no longer enough battleships to go around may now be better understood by at least three of the Army's 330 generals. As of last week the Army had only *327* horses.

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Desiring to study the cause and cure of epidemic jaundice, the Medical Research and Development Board has asked all hands to turn to and help locate a North American animal exhibiting symptons of the disease. How about some Navy brass.

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Senator Wherry (R, Neb.) proudly announces that he has found the catch in the Fair Deal. Abundant life, prosperity, security and happiness—the general welfare—says Wherry have to be paid for. And he says the price is toil, sweat and taxes. It's still a bargain.

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Wherry's crowd, of course, is the special interests who neither toil nor sweat. They live on dividends. And since the Spare-the-Rich Tax was passed by the Republican 80th Congress, Wherry's crowd haven't had so much experience with taxes either.

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Another of the Taft-Wherry troup—Senator Williams (R, Del) is rehearsing an act called "Broilers *Are* Chickens" for the January session of Congress. The law provides price supports for chickens weighing 3½ pounds or more. Broilers generally weigh less, so Agriculture Secretary Branan does not support them. Williams says he's going to get Congress to put Brannan in his place if it takes all next session. Just by coincidence, Senator Williams runs a large chicken farm.

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James Kemper, finance Chairman of the Republican National Committee, has quit because the party's treasury is down to $125,000. But there's nothing wrong that some votes, a decent program, some good candidates, and a liberal platform can't fix.

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81st Congress wound up its session — one of the longest, talkiest on record. But, unlike the "awful 80th", this Congress got some work done.

It lifted minimum wages from 40c to 75c; passed a long-needed housing act to provide low-rent homes and slum clearance; extended rent control, over vigorous opposition from real estate lobbies; showed real sympathy for extension of public electric power; and went down the line on the President's foreign policy, with funds for ECA, ratification of Atlantic Pact, etc.

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In addition, 81st Congress took many steps toward action which should be completed at second session next year.

Thus House passed good social security law, lifting benefits 70% to 80% and extending coverage to 11 million people. Senate should act quickly on this one next year.

Senate passed aid to education bill, which got snarled up in House. (CIO supports the Senate-passed bill.)

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Congress also pulled some bloopers, and failed to act on other important measures.

Dixie-gop coalition stole the ball away from Administration, pro-labor forces on Taft-Hartley. Senate ok'd Taft's 1949 new model of T-H; House passed an even tougher Wood bill, then rallied its forces to send it back to committee.

But fact remains Taft-Hartley hasn't yet been repealed.

Congress also gave cold shoulder treatment to civil rights program. This should **be one of big issues of 1950.**

Failure to act on civil rights was direct result of carefully-planned GOP policy. Republicans, though they gave lip service to civil rights in campaign platform, teamed up with polltax southerners to prevent basic changes in Senate rules.

Without those rules changes, it's pretty tough to move civil rights measures past filibuster bloc — unless you've plenty of time on your hands.

People think and talk about big issues — but Congressmen, Senators have to deal with hundreds of little bills. Those big issues are of big importance to some few people, of little interest to most of us. But they help clog Congressional calendars.

Thus, Congress acts as a city council for Washington, a bustling, humid community of some 750,000 souls. So, if there's money to be spent for adding new wing to Washington's dog pound, Congress has to solemnly weigh the issues, authorize the cash.

Congress also acts as super-legislature for territories like Alaska, Hawaii. So, in closing days of session, Congress passes bills like H.R. 4966 — an act to enable the Hawaiian legislature to authorize the city of Honolulu to issue bonds to pay for an improved sewer system.

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The New York Times has announced its support of Sen. John F. Dulles (R., NY.) in the special senatorial election. The Times apparently doesn't want to be considered as "the kind of people making up this bloc" that is voting for Lehman and which Dulles said would shock every voter in the state into casting ballots for him.

Regional Views

By Richard Gosser, Vice President
International UAW-CIO

ONCE again I think we should try very hard to reach all the people on the pension plan. I recognize that the overwhelming majority of people, not only the membership of our union but the masses of Americans, are interested in a pension plan. I cannot accept the reactionary forces trying every way in the world to confuse this, hoping that in some way they can stop the progress being made in America today for the common people, the workers of America.

The question was asked of me, "how do you feel about the social security program of the United States Government providing a pension plan for everyone?" I hope there is no doubht in anyone's mind that I too think this is the way that this should be handled. However, when Congress enacted the Social Security Program, the benefits paid to the workers were far from adequate and in every session of Congress and the Senate of America the progressive labor unions and the progressive people of America have tried to advance these benefits so the people could retire at a decent age with a decent pension. All of the people that I know who attacked the program of the UAW Pension Plan are the same people who did everything they could in Congress to make sure it was not advanced for the best interest of the people of America. Why didn't they, instead of sitting idly by and doing nothing, promote a pension plan if they were so much in favor of the Government's plan?

It is my opinion, based on the balanced economy of America that when prices are so high, a person should be retired at the age of 60 for $150 to $200 per month. On the other hand, if prices were reduced properly, I assume $100 to $125 would be the right retirement at the age of 60.

For the benefit of those who do not belong to the UAW, let me say (I am sure I speak the sentiments of the overwhelming majority of UAW) we are interested in every American being entitled to a pension plan at the age of 60, financed through the Government, comparable to the cost of commodities of America. To this I am sure that the membership of my union dedicate themselves and we shall work untiringly. If we fail to get it from Congress we shall get it across the conference table. If the employers in America can spend tremendous sums of money repairing their buildings and machinery, keeping them up to date and preserving them so they may continue to produce, then it is my opinion (and I am sure, that of a good many others) that these same employers can spend money to help maintain the human body and to allow their employees to take care of themselves so they can enjoy life in their later years. To these things we dedicate ourselves, regardless of what newspapers, kept press, employer's associations, or even the Committee of Ten Thousand might think.

In Our Opinion

by HOWARD REDIGER
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY of T.I.U.C.

IF ONE could sit down and quietly check into all the social measures now in effect they would discover practically every measure was opposed by industry, banks, nearly all the associations of manufacturers, and Chambers of Commerce. The monied interests have a shameful record in opposition to all liberal legislation, both federal and state, that helped those who must work for a living.

The closest these interests ever came to supporting liberal legislation was in the early part of the Roosevelt Administration in 1933 because they were scared worse than the average workingman.

Up until recently we have always felt that those who opposed good social measures were remote, the opposition was always somewhere else, and certainly not a part of the City of Toledo. But we must now change our minds because the "Committee to Save Toledo Payrolls" is right in our midst all decked out with newer tricks to fool the worker. One of the new tricks is to run an application coupon, to join the Committee, on the front page of our leading newspaper. So far as I know this front page method of membership has never been printed to help any organization even for the sale of War Bonds during the war or for the Toledo Community Chest.

Of course the Committee's avowed purpose is not what they say it is. It's actual purpose is to fight unions, all unions except company unions.

If you care to go back thru the years you can find the committee's counterpart in all fights labor has made for those who work. Here is a short list of gains made by labor which similar committee's have fought:

Fought labors right to organize to the extent of many workers losing their lives. Tried to mold public opinion thru the press.

Fought the 8 hour law and tried to keep the work day on a 12 hour basis six days a week. Tried to mold public opinion thru the press.

Fought the 40c per hour minimum wage law, the 75c hourly minimum wage law. Tried to mold public opinion thru the press.

Fought the present Social Security law — said it would bankrupt the country and destroy insurance companies. Tried to mold public opinion thru the press.

Fought unemployment insurance, fought it's increased benefits and tried to throttle old age benefits. Tried to mold public opinion thru the press.

Fought public housing and tried to mold public opinion thru the press.

Fought Federal Deposit Insurance to protect your savings, fought FERA, CWA and WPA that put bread and butter in the mouth of the half starving and tried to mold public opinion thru the press.

We could go on and on with a list much longer than space will permit. We predict the committee will die a natural death because it sponsors a negative approach to the question of pensions. The public and the workers will catch up with the committee' fallacies and insincerity for there is not one name connected officially with the committee who has ever spent one minutes time in trying to fight for the cause of labor.

The newspapers always had Franklin D. Roosevelt whipped until election day and the papers even went so far to play the same trick on President Truman and he whipped them on the showdown. The same will be true on the pension fight.

Toledo is a good labor town—the worker and the public will and are now discovering the committee's phony cry; the list of sponsors is not so outstanding because of the big names it contain but on the other hand the sponsor list is outstanding because of the many names the committee has not been able to bring into it's fold. Ponder this for a few minutes and you will know exactly what I mean.

More than 10,000,000 World War II veterans have applied for education and training under the GI Bill since that law went into effect in June, 1944. This total—as of October 1, 1949—represents two-thirds of all World War II veterans.

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By October 1, 1949, nearly 7,000,000 World War II veterans have, at some time or another, had education and training under the GI Bill and Public Law 16 (for the disabled).

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Only one in every 25 veterans who have had education and training under the GI Bill or Public Law 16 no longer is eligible for further training. He either exhausted his entitlement under the GI Bill or was declared rehabilitated under Public Law 16.

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The total number of National Service Life Insurance policies, issued since the NSLI program went into effect in October 1940, passed the 20,000,000-mark in September, 1949.

Lincoln Asks CIO To Back Abundance Plans For US And World

CLEVELAND (LPA)—Highlight of the fourth day of the CIO's 11th convention here was a speech by Murray Lincoln, president of the Cooperative League of the USA, and head of three co-op insurance companies with headquarters in Ohio. CIO President Philip Murray hailed Lincoln as "a friend of labor," and added that " labor is a friend of his."

Added impetus to the drive inside the Democratic party to run Lincoln against Sen. Robert A. Taft was given by Murray when he expressed hope that "Ohio will give recognition to this outstanding son,"

Conference On Wages

Lincoln urged that management "sit down with labor and find out how much — and not how little — it can pay in wages in order to keep purchasing power high."

"I do not think abundance can flourish under regimentation, and I don't think democracy can flourish without abundance," the co-op leader asserted.

He hit hard at isolationists, of whom Taft is an oustanding leader, because "their policies will virtually lead us to fighting Communism with arms instead of abolishing the conditions which encourage Communism." Lincoln called on the occupying powers to turn the German Ruhr industries over to an international cooperative, instead of allowing them to return to the control of the same powers which led to Nazism and Hitler. President Truman's Four Point program, he said, is a substitute for war.

Workers And Farmers Unity

Workers and farmers, Lincoln proposed, should join to operate a steel mill to determine what wages could be paid and what prices should be charged. If the great corporations can get government money to go into business making profits, Lincoln asserted, consumers can demand the same kind of government help.

In other convention actions, delegats passed several dozen policy resolutions, the most important being one pledging a continuing fight against the Taft-Hartley law.

Vote on the T-H resolution came after CIO General Counsel Arthur Goldberg told delegates the Bethlehem Steel settlement proved that there is no need for the T-H law. Sen. Taft, the CIO attorney insisted, has mis-stated the facts when he says time and again that labor has not made a case against the law.

The CIO would gladly pay the expenses of a national radio hookup if Taft will debate a CIO spokesman on the merits and dangers of his law, Goldberg announced.

Roy Wilins, acting director of the Nat'l Association for Advancement of Colored People, told the convention that, "like the CIO, Negroes reject the compromising of the battle for our Constitutional rights through any tie-up with the ideology and methods of international Communism."

CIO Convention Reaffirms Political Action Program

CIO's program of political action was reaffirmed on a broad and comprehensive basis by the 11th Constitutional Convention in Cleveland last week. At both the Wednesday and Thursday sessions leaders of the international unions declared political action a basic policy of CIO and supported provisions of the resolution adopted by the convention.

The resolution called for a strong working consolidation of farm, labor and all other liberal forces, directing CIO-PAC cooperation with these groups having common political objectives be strengthened, encouraged and expanded. The convention set up a program to establish a new political alignment. This program is:

1. New registration laws, to cut red tape and technicalities and opened the ballot box to as many citizens as possible.
2. Adequate pay for State legislators and other officials.
3. Direct and open primaries for nomination of candidates.
4. End the practice of juggling election districts—both State and national—which gives voters in some communities more influence than those in others.
5. Direct election of the President and Vice President of the United States.
the End the seniority system in Congress and choose committees by ability.
7. Abolition of the Senate filibuster.

"To these tasks," said the convention, "the CIO Political Action Committee dedicates itself. These tasks the PAC and the people of America will do in November, 1950."

The convention called on every member of the CIO, with their families, to register and vote, and to take part in political work in every ward, precinct and block. Every council, international union and affiliated organization was directed to make a check of the registration of its membership.

The CIO-PAC, as now constituted, was directed to continue to direct the work of political action and political education of the CIO and to service, advise and coordinate the work of political action committees of the state and city bodies.

The convention said also:

"We reaffirm the principle that the political activity of the CIO must be independent and non-partisan, giving support to the progressive forces in both major parties and basing its judgment of candidates on their records and platforms."

Senators Say Europe Tour Convinced Them Co-op Housing Is Best

WASHINGTON (LPA) — Members of the Senate Housing Subcommittee returned from a tour of European housing impressed with the success of cooperative housing in Scandinavia, and most of them convinced that it is the best solution for the middle income housing problem in this country.

Chairman John Sparkman (D. Ala.), whose bill to foster cooperative housing was reported by the Banking Committee last session but not acted on by the Senate, said he would push it again early in the next session. He seemed much more hopeful of success than before his trip —primarily because of the impression Scandinavian cooperative housing had made on Senator John Bricker (R. O.)

Impressed With Co-op

Bricker went to Europe flatly opposed to Sparkman's cooperative housing bill. He returned frankly acknowledging he was impressed with the program under which cooperative housing is financed jointly by the government and private lending agencies. Private capital puts up from 60 to 70 per cent of the cost of the co-op housing in Sweden, the government puts up 20 per cent, the participant five per cent, and the government the balance. The final government loan is a virtual subsidy, conditioned only upon proper maintenance of the property.

Payments to liquidate the private loans are spread over a 100-year period, if they cover brick or stone construction, and 60 years if the construction is wood, Sparkman said. Interest rates vary from three to 4½ per cent. Interest on the government loans is about 2½ per cent—or about the cost of the money to the government.

Sparkman's bill is much more conservative. It calls for 50-year amortization periods, and interest rates at three per cent on government loans. But in view of Bricker's reaction, Sparkman said he would be willing to modify his bill to permit private capital to finance the co-op housing projects if they would offer the money at three per cent, as they do in Sweden.

"I don't believe the program can succeed with interest rates higher than three per cent," Sparkman said.

Pointing to the need for middle income housing to supplement the low-income housing bill passed at the last session, Sparkman said:

"In order to have a well-rounded housing program we must do something to help the middle income group—with incomes from $2000 to $4000 a year. That is a no man's land in housing. The only answer is to work out a plan involving every saving feature possible — including low interest rates, long periods of amortization, cooperatives to eliminate the profit, and self-maintenance. These four have to be worked into a program that the moderate income family can afford."

Absence of Slums

Sparkman said the whole subcommittee was impressed with the absence of slums in Scandinavia and the good housing accommodations for low income families. He said one of the features of the European housing situation was that all countries were maintaining the pre-war rent levels by rent controls and subsidies on post-war construction to absorb the higher post-war costs.

Answering criticism of his proposal for direct loans to cooperative housing projects, Sparkman said, "If we can lend to rural electrification cooperatives at two per cent, and to industrial companies and banks, I don't see why we cant lend to housing cooperatives to meet our desperate housing situation."

Airways Chit Chat

Believe it or not, your ole news hound is running out of gossip. How about hearing from someone outside of Dept. 10? If you have any news, just bring it to the Kit Dept. It will be published, providing it doesn't need censoring. Since we make sweepers, lets keep everything clean. Yak, yak.

Why does Nellie Brasso of Dept. 10, need to take a Monday cat-nap during her lunch period? Could it be too much of a weekend, huh?

Our heartiest congratulations goes to B. Gorny, of Dept. 13, who celebrated her Silver Wedding Anniversary on Nov. 9.

Have you heard the good news? Fanny Campbell the polisher, has been elected champion gum-chewer of Airway. No wonder she isn't nervous!

Lefty Slowinski is bound and determined he's going to die a millionaire. Step right up and get your tickets boys!!

Say Jule Rodd, where do you get that sweet disposition of yours? Are you the culprit that empties those candy machines everyday?

Little Eva appears to have a new "monicker" in the paper bag Dept. Hey Leroy, thats a heck of a nickname.

Who's the little redhead inspector that has been seen galavanting around the 18th Club? Oh what a master of ceremonies. Stuff the cotton in your ears, Ma!

Hey Dolores Rybka, what gives anyway? How come you're answering to the name of "Lucky" now?

Our friend Hilda S., is still singing the "Barber of Seville" this week. How many scalps do you have now-Squaw?

We wish to extend our well wishes for a speedy recovery to Ruby Rittger, who underwent an operation last week.

Champion Unit Answers Letter

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The founders of the "Save Toledo's Payrolls" could have prevented all this argument if their Representatives in Congress had been given the green light to allow the Federal Social Security to progress to the point that it should have. Many, many intelligent people realize this. Do the author or authors of this letter realize that?

My answer to the letter is being printed in this union paper because I believe that any difference in the union between good union members should be settled in the union hall or paper and within the union and not in the newspaper companies as the author or authors so ignorantly apply to, because there are not newspaper in Toledo, just one paper as far as control is concerned. There are times when we of the union must answer in the public press those who do not belong to unions (except their own such as the Chamber of Commerce, Bank Clearing House Association etc.) to counteract their calims which are in their own interests. Your right to have something to say was not denied you at our regular Unit meeting, so why do you have have to resort to the public press just because you lost out on the voting of a motion? Don't you believe in democracy?

Al Kenngott, Chairman
Champion Spark
Plug Unit.

News and Gossip of Stage and Screen

Youth and Beauty

ELIZABETH TAYLOR, the famous young heroine of "National Velvet," has graduated into grown up roles. She will be seen next in M-G-M's "Conspirator" in which she plays opposite Robert Taylor.

Bethlehem Settles With CIO; Nation-Wide Victory Foreseen

Win Non-Contributory Pension Expanded Social Security Plan

Paving the way for an industry-wide victory for the United Steelworkers of America was settlement of the dispute between the union and the Bethlehem Steel Company. The settlement, announced by Steelworkers President Philip Murray and company representatives in Cleveland, calls for non-contributory pensions as high as $250 a month and a better social welfare plan, to which employers and employees will each contribute 2½ cents an hour.

The agreement between the union and Bethlehem, second largest steel producer, was regarded as the forerunner of similar agreements with other steel companies. Jones & Laughlin and Republic Steel started meetings with the union repreesntatives looking toward settlement.

While no hourly figures were made public on the pension cost, it was stated that workers with 25 years service will receive minimum pensions of $100 a month. The present social welfare plan, financed entirely by employees, will be supplemented by 2½ cents an hour contributed equally by the company and the workers. Unofficial estimates place the pension cost at 12 cents an hour.

The plan will go into effect January 1 if all details can be worked out by that time and, in any event, not later than March 1, 1950.

Local 12 Shops Begin Drive For Funds

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which is explained on page 2, would balance our economy and would mean more jobs for our people. Such a plan will mean happiness and greater security for our people. The statement continues with "That is why we shall FIGHT ON UNTIL WE HAVE WON. To do anything else . . . to give up this fight would be selling our people down the river. And that we will never do."

It is recommended that the union members, their family, neighbors and friends read page two for the full text of real facts.

Be sure to read page 2 in this issue of the Toledo Union Journal. It will give you the answer you want.

Star Dust

STAGE SCREEN RADIO

BY INEZ GERHARD

A singer has to be something more than just wonderful to make her professional debut on "The Telephone Hour." 20-year-old Barbara Gibson did it September 12, and will be heard again on th program in February. Gladys Swarthout promptly phoned her praise; Lily Pons, who had missed the broadcast, asked for recordings. Like Lily, Barbara is a coloratura soprano. Unlike her, she's a young American girl—likes to swim and ski, makes her own clothes. Walter Magill, producer of "The Telephone Hour," was at CBS the day she auditioned, heard executives raving about her voice; after hearing her sing he gave her big chance.

BARBARA GIBSON

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Robert Montgomery prefers that we think of him now not as an actor, but as a radio commentator, (ABC Thursday nights) a role for which he is wel lequipped. He has traveled widely, has never been afraid to speak out for his beliefs. As president of the Screen Actors Guild he fought labor racketeering. He will cover current trends in the news, and report on books and films.

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Before designing "Mortimer Snerd," CBS' Edgar Bergen spent month sin research on phrenology. He made a complete list of all physical characteristics associated with stupidity, then combined them all in "Mortimer."

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The University of Denver has adopted Paramount's "My Friend Irma" as the basis of a course in film production and appreciation. The script, still, production and publicity photos and a number of minature sets used in the picture are being used as visual aids, and sets dcreate by Hans Dreier and Henry Bumstead art on display in the college library.

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Joan Crawford got one of the new short haircuts for "The Victim," also a special wardrobe—53 changes. You'll see her wearing her own famous evening gown, white chiffon with birds, nests, butterflies and trees painted on it.

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Although James Hilton (author of "Goodbye Mr. Chips" and many other novels) has lived in Hollywood for 12 years he insists it hasn't affected him at all. Currently exposed to its whirlpool through his narrating duties on radio's "Hallmark Playhouse," he says the town is "a geographical part of America surrounded by an iron curtain of its own creation."

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Florence Freeman expected to be home awaiting the stock's arrival the last week of September, and the script of "Wendy Warren and the News" was written so as to give the star a vacation. But her son didn't know that in radio eberything has to be done right on time. He put off greeting his parents and two sisters until October 6.

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Columbia is using 106 of the 130 top-flight stunt men listed by the Screen Actors' Guild in the John Derek-Diana Lynn starrer, "Rogues of Sherwood Forest" — would use the other 24 if they weren't working elsewhere.

Columbia will release "All the King's Men" some time near Christmas, to get maximum consideration for Academy Award nomination. Paramount is banking on "The Heiress"; 20th Century-Fox has "Pinky;" Eagle-Lion, "Passport to Pimlico."

Lucille Bal lis back at RKO, the first time in six years, to make "Easy Living," with Victor Mature. It was at RKO that she met her husband, Desi Arnaz, eight years back, when they were the principals of "Too Many Girls."

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ODDS AND ENDS . . . Virginia Mayo is greatly in demand on the Warner lot since "White Heat;" practically every producer has a script for her . . . Veteran radio actor Paul Barnes is the new "Captain Midnight"; he's known for his mastery of dialects . . . After six months of picture-making in England Jane Wyman is back in Hollywood to make "The Glass Menagerie"; she has the role half the girls in town wanted . . . And Gertrude Lawrence has the one mature actresses wanted.

Ginsberg Announces Twelve Productions For Early 1950

HOLLYWOOD — A total of twelve top-budget pictures will go in production at Paramount during the first five monts of 1950, it was announced recently by Henry Ginsberg, studio head.

Three of these films have definite starting dates in January with the remainder being scheduled over the following four months. This program will result in one of the busiest production periods which any studio has experienced in recent years.

That this activity will be continued throughout the year is evidentced by Ginsberg's statement that Paramount will not restrict production to a fixed schedule but will keep its program flexible. "We will make as many pictures as the number of good stories warrants." Ginsberg said.

The three pictures which go before the camera in January are "Carrie Ames," William Wyler production of Theodore Dreiser's "Sister Carrie"; "Eagles of the Navy," jet pilot film starring Alan Ladd and Wililam Bendix with Robert Fellows producing, and Hal Wallis' "My Friend Irma Goes West" in which John Lund, Marie Wilson, Diana Lynn and Martin and Lewis, stars of "My Friend Irma" will continue in a sequel."

"Dear Wife" Sequel

The other nine pnictures, which will go into production in February, March, April and May, are: "Dear Mom," a sequel to "Dear Ruth" and "Dear Wife," with the cast of the previous comedies, Joseph Sistrom producing; "It Won't Last Long," Charles Brackett production starring John Lund; "Jack Of Diamonds, Ray Milland starrer to be directed by Richard Haydn and produced by Sistrom; Bob Hope in "Big Guy," which Bob Welch will produce; "The Mabel Norman Story," starring Betty Hutton; "Born in a Trunk," Leo McCarey's first Paramount picture since the studio acquired his Rainbow Productions; "Mr. and Miss Anomynous," produced and directed by George Stevens; "Roman Holiday," which Frank Capra will produce and direct; and "Union Station," starring John Lund, with Jules Scherner producing.

Currently shooting at Paramount are George Stevens' "A Place in the Sun" with Montgomery Clift, Elizabeth Taylor and Shelly Winters; "Mr. Music" with Bing Crosby, Ruth Hussey, Charles Coburn, Nancy Olson, Robert Stack and Dorothy Kirsten. Richard Haydn is directing "Mr. Music," with Robert Welch producing.

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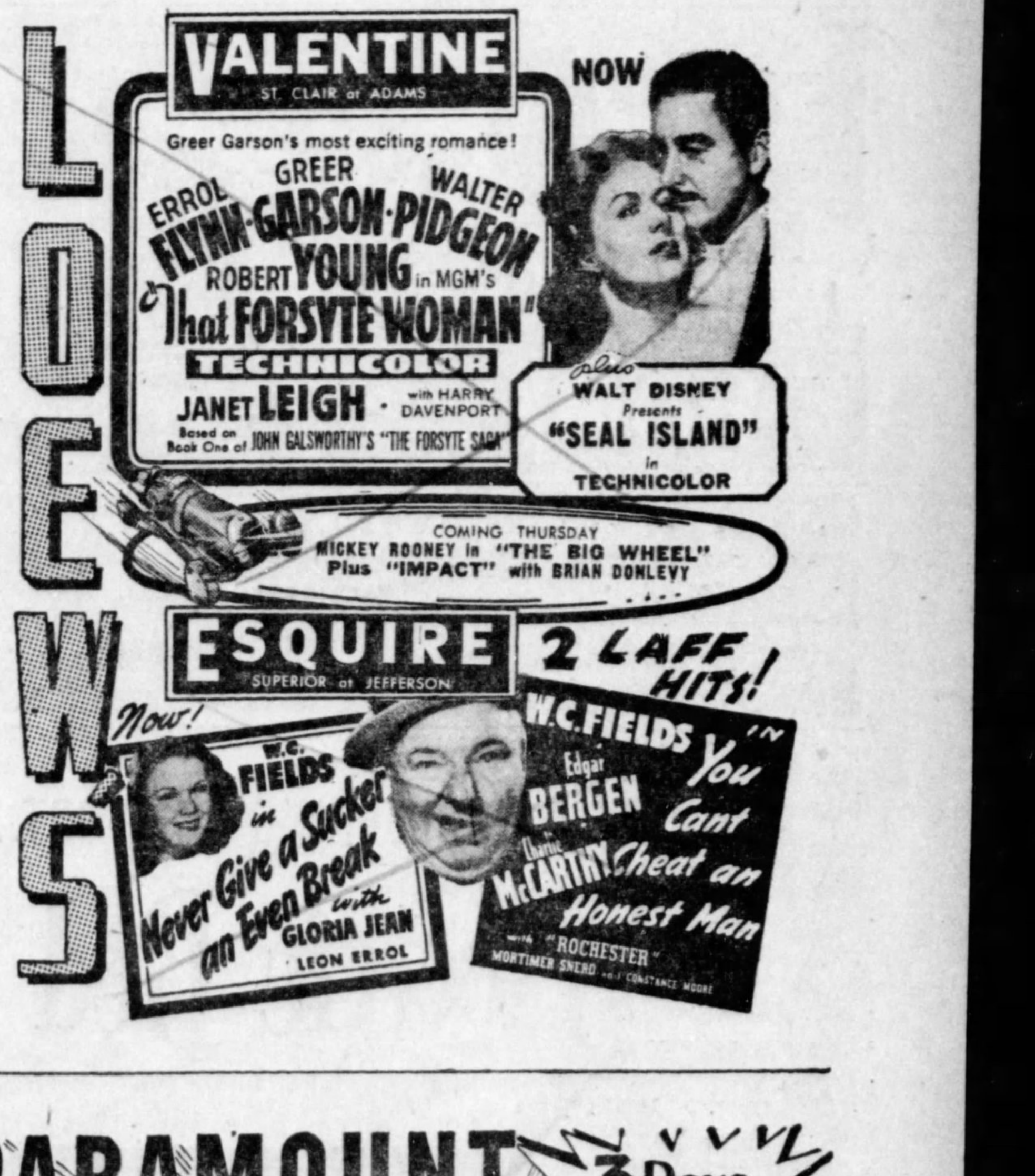

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Tid Bits From The Sports Desk

By NORMAN MEYERS

MANY OF THE old time Toledo baseball fans will recognize this name, but by doing so you may be showing your age. Today he is a successful business man and his name is Fred Merkle, the man who pulled "baseball's biggest boner". Exactly 41 years ago Merkle cost the New York Giants the pennant by failing to touch second base. Although no one has allowed Fred to forget the past, the present is very pleasant to Merkle, and the future looks even brighter. He is now president and general manager of a Daytona Beach, Fla., firm that manufactures balsa-wood fishing floats which were designed by him.

Norm Meyers

Merkle's boner came in the ninth inning, with two out, in the deciding pennant game of 1908 between the Giants and the Chicago Cubs. Merkle was on first, the score tied, and the winning run was on third base. The batter hit a single, the man on third streaked home, and the game was over, Merkle on his way to second, saw his teammate score, so he turned and ran to the clubhouse. Crowds streamed on the field. However, the alert second baseman for the Cubs, Johnny Evers, called for the ball, touched second base, and Merkle was declared out and the run that had been scored was nullified. This was the third out, so the score was tied. There was rioting on the field and it was impossible to continue the game. The Giants were forced into a play-off game and lost, losing the game and of course the pennant.

A native of Toledo, Merkle moved to Florida 15 years ago. He got into the balsa-float business when he hit upon a simple method for improving the design. By inserting a brass tube through the float, the previous bugaboo of threading a water-soaked, warped float was eliminated.

Fight fans of yesterday are perhaps wondering what has become of that popular fighter and welterweight champion Gerferino Garcia, who lost in battles for the title against Barney Ross and Henry Armstrong and who finally knocked out Fred Apostoli to win the title. He is now a waiter in the Seacomber Cafe in Malibu Beach. A customer he served the other day was none other than that "champion" of all champions in boxing, Jack Dempsey.

Buckeyes Play Clarks Sunday

Last Home Game Until Nov. 30

The Toledo Buckeyes Hockey team will play one more game at the Sports Arena before making their first eastern swing of the League. They meet the Milwaukee Clarks Sunday night.

While Holiday on Ice is at the Arena for their annual 12-day visit the Buckeyes will play on the road, meeting Atlantic City, Boston, Baltimore, Cleveland, Grand Rapids and New York on their opponents' ice.

The Clarks, traditional rivals of the Toledo club, have handed them one of the two setbacks they have experienced this season. They defeated Toledo on their last visit to Milwaukee.

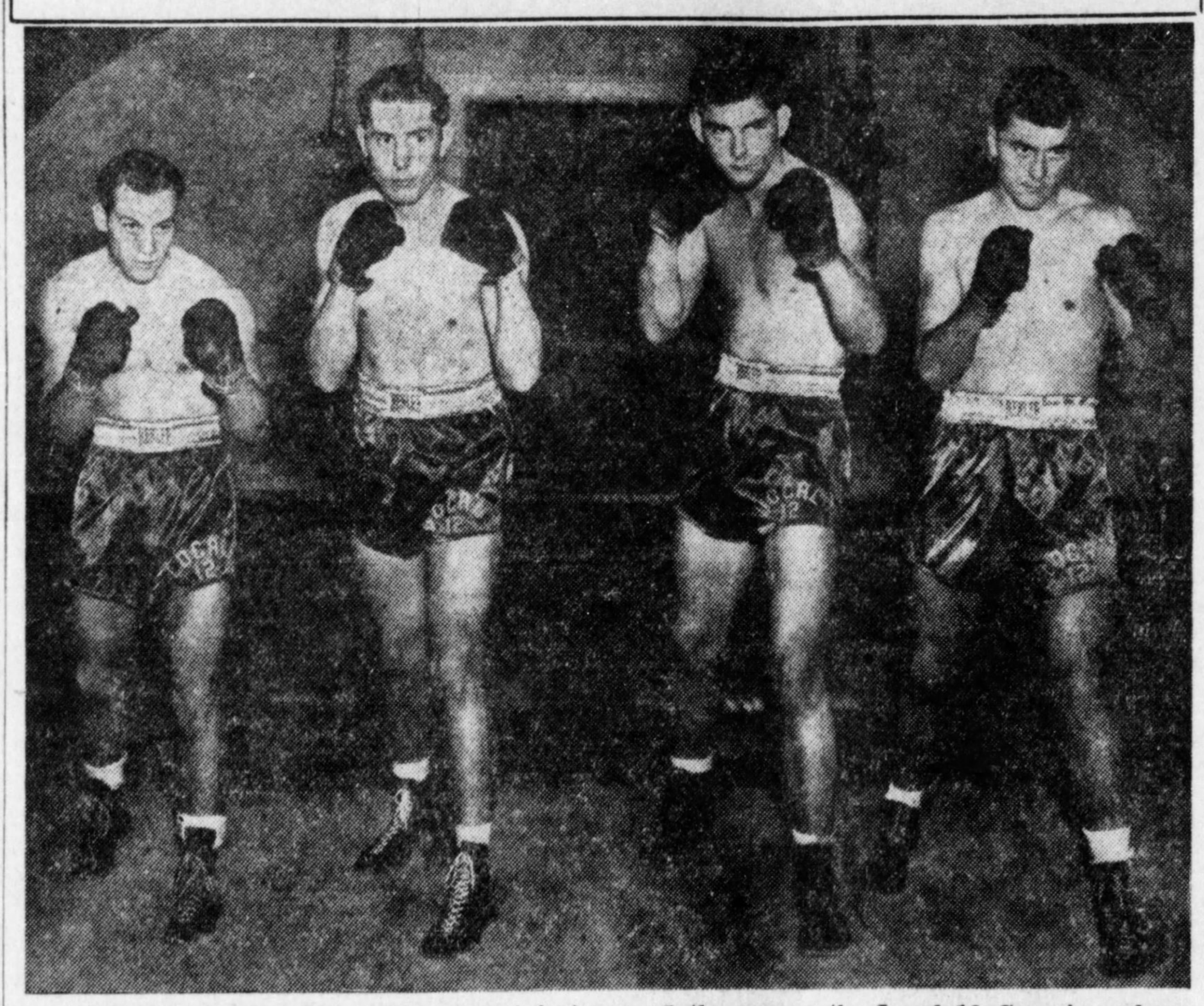
With the exception of Earl O'Brien, who dislocated his shoulder in the last game against Milwaukee, Coach Andy Mulligan will have his complete squad in uniform against the Wisconsin team.

With eleven games of their season's schedule played, the Buckeyes have dropped only two—one at Grand Rapids and one at Milwaukee. They have yet to lose a game on their home ice, although two of the set-tos here with Grand Rapids resulted in tie scores.

They trail the Grand Rapids Rockets for he League lead by one game or two points. The Rockets for the League lead by ren, have yet to lose a League game. The Toledo team, however, have tied them in three of the four games played.

After Sunday's game the Bucks will return to their home ice at the Sports Arena Wednesday, November 30, for a game with the New York Rovers.

Training For Tournaments


With the Golden Glove Tournament just around the corner the Local 12 Gym is as busy as a bee-hive these days. Pictured are four of the members of the Local 12 Club who train in the afternoon under the tutelage of Red MacDonald and Noel Dawson from 12 noon until 5:00 p. m. Many others who work days, train in the evening at the Local 12 gym on the fifth floor from 7 p. m. until 9 p. m. under the tutelage of Red and with the assistance of Joe Lohman, LaVerne Keller, and Loyd Bennett. (Union Journal Photo)

IN THIS CORNER

with E. C. "RED" MAC DONALD

RING activity in the Local 12 gym is increasing daily as more and more boys seem to be getting the tournament fever. Many are returning to boxing after a few months lay-off while still others are just beginning ring careers. Whatever the case ,hardly a day passes that a new face isn't added to the growing Local 12 stable.

At this writing some 20 lads are going through daily paces in preparation for the coming amateur meets, the next of which will be the City Novice Tournament at the YMCA. Only boys who are relative beginners are eligible to compete as anyone who has ever reached the finals in a tourney may not enter.

This factor, however, doesn't put a damper on the action in the show. Regardless of experience, these lads are swinging from the opening bell and usually have the fans on their feet most of the time. What they lack in ring finese the boys make up in spunk and the desire to win.

We should have several fighters entered in the tournament and whatever the outcome, the boys will profit heavily from the experience gained. With a fight or two under his belt, an amateur has a definite psychological edge over the lad who is stepping in the ring for the first time.

FOLLOWING the Novice meet our team is scheduled to appear in the YMCA City Open which is held shortly after the former. This is the tournament that usually gives both managers and fans an indication of things to come in the Golden Gloves Classic in February. Golden Gloves winners this year will also represent Toledo in the state AAU meet.

In addition to the regularly scheduled amateur tournaments the Local 12 team will compete from time to time with Union teams from other large cities as well as several club shows.

At last week's Eagles' show, Local 12's Bob Peters showed marked improvement as he scored the quickest knockout on the card. Peters, a 126-pounder, had ringside observers talking over the way he put his opponent to sleep.

Middleweight Dick Gooch, who probably would have won the Golden Gloves title last year if his eye had not been cut, figures to be a strong contender for laurels in his weight.

Last year's Golden Gloves lightweight finalist, Ray Ulis, will also make a strong bid for honors. Ulis lost a close decision to Hank Risk but from the crowd's reception it was evident the judges had made a mistake.

A few more outstanding mittmen on the Local 12 team are Dinny Moore, Dick Courter, Joe Stykeman, George Scully, Lewis Thomas, Frank Soinske, Bill Brown, Mike Torrest, John Fillion, Harold Wilczynski, and Alfredo and Robert Ramirez.

Week End Of Sports

FOOTBALL:
Libbey vs Woodward at Libbey Friday, 8:15 p.m.
DeVilbiss vs Bloomfield Hills, Mich. at DeVilbiss, Friday, 8:15 p.m.
Scott vs Fremont Ross at Fremont, Friday, 8:15 p.m.
Waite vs Mansfield at Mansfield, Friday, 8 p.m.
Toledo University vs North Dakota at Glass Bowl, Saturday, 8:15 p.m.
Central vs Dayton Chaminade at Glass Bowl Sunday, 2 p.m.
HOCKEY:
Buckeyes vs Milwaukee Clarks at Sports Arena Sunday, 8:30 p.m.

More On Gun Safety

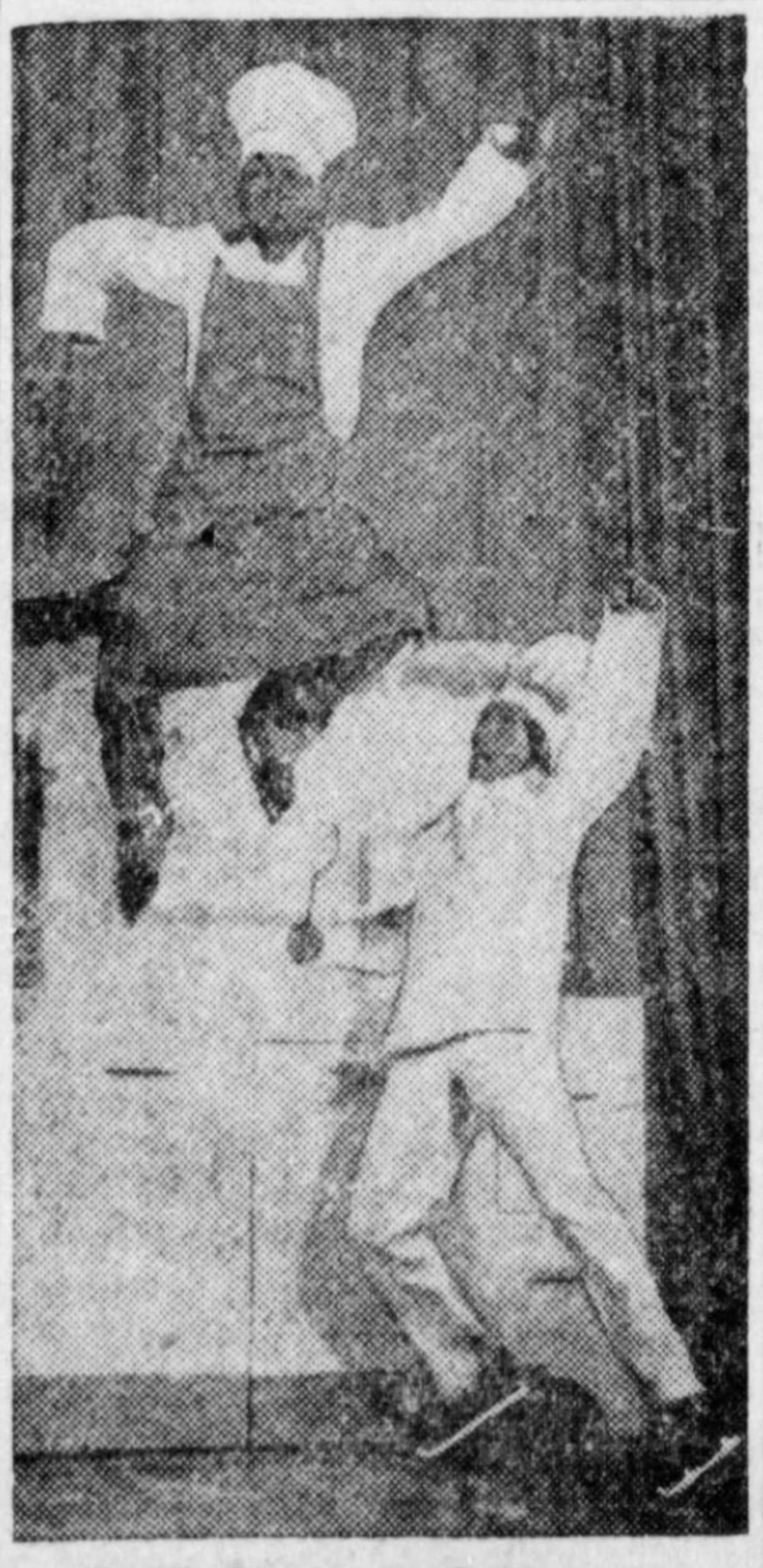
1. Keep the safety on at all times! There's plenty of time to release it when the game flushes.
2. Be extra cautious in the brush.
3. No amount of game is worth injuring someone else. Be sure where your shot will strike.
4. Go over at a post, pulling the gun through butt first afterwards making sure that no one is in line with the muzzle on the other side of the fence.
5. Keep the muzzle pointed away from others and yourself. Remember the unloaded (gun?) is the one that causes accidents.
6. Be nonchalant if you use high speed shells in an ancient gun.

Local Bowlers Topped By Leo Florkowski And Pauline Proch

Moore Trains At Local Gym

Archie Moore, Toledo's sensational light heavy weight, and Rufus Berry, his sparring partner, who made an impressive showing at the last pro boxing show at the Sports Arena are now training at the Local 12 gym. Both boxers will work out daily starting at 2 p.m. in preparation for coming bouts.

Two, Too Many Cooks


Fred Holly and Bob Day, headline comics of the Fifth Edition of the all-new Holiday On Ice Of 1950. demonstrate how not to prepare dinner. These two chefs may not make a meal, but they serve up a ten-course menu of hilarious surprises when the big ice revue comes to the Toledo Sports Aren for twelve days starting Wednesday, November 16 and continuing through November 27.

Big Catfish have been caught in American rivers from time to time, but the real jumbos are said to be found in Europe's Danube. A ten footer astonishes nobody.

The Tasmanian wolf looks like a sideshow freak. This night killer has a wolf's head and a tigers stripes. Besides it carries its young in a pouch that opens at the rear.

PAC Lead Men's Tuesday Loop; Auto-Lite, DeVilbiss Tie In Surprising Monday League

Leo Florkowski, rolling with Willys UAW in the Men's Local 12 Tuesday league at the Marathon bowled 585 and probably was surprised the following morning on learning that it was the high individual total in the loop. His performance was two pins better than Bill Sulling's scores who hit his 583 total as a member of the Swartzbaugh team in that 12 team circuit.

Willys Has 958

Florkowski started modestly with a 170 boosted it to 190 and finished with a strong 225 to help his team to three wins over DeVilbiss. The 225 coupled with captain Gene Lipe's 234 gave the Willy's team a 958 in the third game and high single team game in the loop. Lipe finished with a 580. Paul Lochke was a top man for DeVilbiss with 534.

Getting back to Sulling, he spent the balance of Tuesday evening trying to figure out what happened after that first game. Bill had what appeared a hot evening when he started the series with a 238. In the second game, well, Bill would rather it should be shelved for good for he came up with a 149. He recovered in a hurry, however, coming back in the third game with a creditable 196. In spite of the 583 it was not good enough to help the Swartzbaugh salvage any games from PAC who are leading the loop now as a result of the three game victory.

Too Much PAC

PAC had too much strength with lead off man Andy Dobrychowski up with 555, Duke Sittor a 538 and anchor man George Baer tossing a 546.

Third place Willys Unit maintained their position in the standings adding two games to the win column at the expense of Be Jay Inn that team employed at Swartzbaugh. Captain Fred Bowell had 126 the first game and his team dropping the decision to the Bee Jays by 19 pins. He redeemed himself in the second game hitting 180 to give his team a victory by a few pins. Earl Leffel, Joe Majores and Mel Aumiller had the necessary pins to win the third game.

Soinski Keeps Going

W-O made certain of staying out of the cellar by thumping last place Toledo Stamping for three games to increase that margin between 11th and 12th place to six games. Ollie Soinski continued his series in the 500 bracket for seven consecutive weeks bettering that mark by seven pins this week.

Toledo Steel Tube won two from Russell for Council team and it gives them a tie with that team for seventh place. Bud Young having 546 and anchor man Ed Quetschke a 548 was the deciding total in winning the first two games. Steve Wasilowski led the losers with 546 and Ralph Klosterhous had 527.

Four Over 500

Bingham Stamping had four men bettering the 500 mark for three wins over Toledo Pressed Steel and added it as a tie for fourth place in the standings.

Jim Czerniak paved the way for the winners with 570 and had other 500 series from Steve Kmiec, Ollie Owczarzak and anchor man Jake Wisniewski. The best total for Steel was chalked up by Randy Engelhardt.

Women's League

In the women's Friday league at the Mercury, PAC continues to hold a two game lead over Auto Lite. Both did not lose or gain ground last week with PAC winning three from DeVilbiss Spray and the Lite's adding three from Standard Commutator.

Pauline Proch, who hit big ten in the women's ho role on the opening night fired her third consecutive 500 series being 14 pins over that figure, for Auto Lite.

Sophie Brubaker was the best bowler for PAC in their match with the DeVilbiss team. Ann Veres had best score for the losers.

Ruth Aft paced Martin Perry to two wins over Willys Unit with Vickie Price tops for the Willys team.

DeVilbiss Rubber, with Lee Spross connecting for a 469 paved the way for three wins from Lakeside Biscuit who had Emma Kertesz their high bowler.

Surprising Race

The Men's Monday league at the Bowl-O-Drome has come up with surprises this year. Auto Lite and DeVilbiss are notched for the lead with PAC third and last year's champion Union Journal team resting in fourth place.

There were no scores reported this week from *this* eight team Monday circuit.

Women's Wednesday Loop

The Women's Wednesday night league at the Bowl-O-Drome had the Champion Sparks winning three games from Bingham Stamping. Myrtle Hein sparked the winners with a 468 series sandwiching in a 190 game for the high total in the circuit for the night.

Auto Iite made it two ov Willys nit No. 2 team and the Champion Champs took three from the Willys No. 1 bunch.

In the final match in this eight team league, American Can won two from the Region 2-B team.

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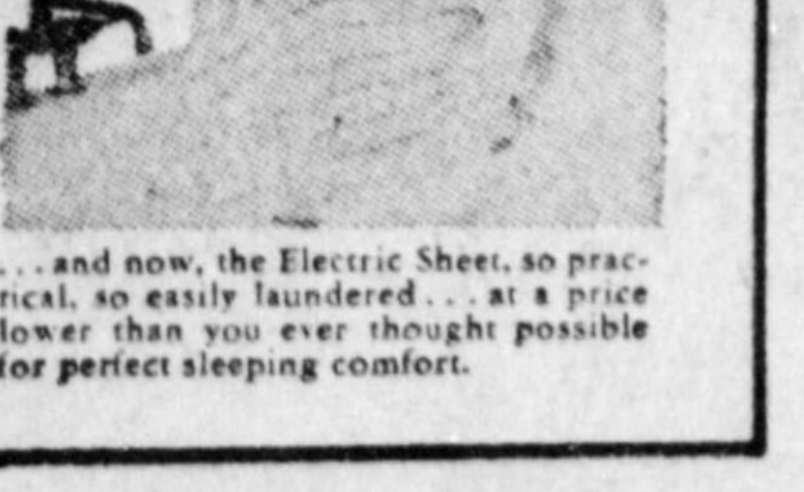
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